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About everybody has got back.

Teacher has returned, and the school-rooms are all brushed up for the occasion. The little bell is about to ring.—Boston Herald.

THE PRESIDENCY.

For the second time the presidency of the Institute has been declined. President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California, after coming to Boston and considering the offer, decided not to withdraw from his position at Berkeley. In the West he has been known as the "Idol of the Pacific" and has devoted many years to the up-building of California. He very naturally felt that his field of work as an educator is larger there.

It is particularly unfortunate that such publicity has been given, whether or not intentionally, to the calls issued to Dean West and to President Wheeler. The same ends might have been obtained had more secrecy been observed by the Corporation, and the position would not have the possible disadvantage in the eyes of another of having been twice refused.

At best the position of acting president is a hard and trying one, but the interval before a permanent president can be chosen will be ably filled by Professor Noyes.

ATHLETIC INTEGRITY.

It is to be noted with great gratification that the Dartmouth Athletic Council has permanently barred from further participation in college athletics ten members of the varsity baseball team, on account of their engaging during the summer in professional play. Such action is most commendable and this edict will go far toward putting Dartmouth on a strictly amateur and sportsmanlike basis.

The smirch of professionalism will, quicker than anything else, spoil inter-collegiate athletics and will shear them of the advantages that they otherwise bring about. An unsullied athletic name in the college world is all too rare at the present time. But such a name means more actually to a college than a long string of victories won by a team of questionable standing.

This idea is gradually gaining more credence and more supporters. Its universal adoption and execution would mark the millenium of intercollegiate sport.

Up to the present time Technology has paid most careful attention to the amateur standing of the men who have represented the Institute in an athletic way. It is well that it is thus, and Tech men must cling closely to this principle and not make the mistake of severing from it in the least. Now that another college has taken a stand in this regard, the Institute must be careful in the future to live up to the enviable standard it has set in the past.

PLAYS WANTED FOR SHOW.

Tech Show To Meet 1911 Men to Explain Desires.

Tech Show is a musical comedy, written, managed, and given entirely by the students. Its purpose is to raise money for athletics at the Institute as well as to promote good-fellowship. About 100 students are connected with the Show in one capacity or another, and it not only provides these with new friendships but it also gives the whole student-body a common topic of interest.

During the first term nothing more is done than to obtain a good play and some songs, all of which must be written by the students. The upperclassmen have the advantage over the new men in preparing anything of this sort, owing to a better acquaintance with Institute affairs, but the Show does not limit itself to an Institute play and urges all men who feel able to prepare a play to do so.

For the benefit of 1911 men, the Show management has arranged to meet all who wish to ask any questions in 34 Rogers, Friday afternoon, at 4 P. M.

MECHANIC ARTS MEN HELP.

Get 26 Rogers as Headquarters for Men from High School.

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