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With no dual meets this spring, the class games tomorrow should prove the most successful ever held at the Institute. The entry list is unusually large, and the contests promise to be high-class.

The interest taken in tomorrow's games will be a large factor toward the efforts that will be made to win the intercollegiate.

Sophomores, be careful! A laugh is a laugh only in the right place. Else-

where it may go so far as to be a sneer. Although things amusing may happen unseen by a lecturer, don't go so far as to disconcert the lecturer, and then laugh further at that disconcertion. Respect the care and attention which is being unselfishly given to a course.

So fencing has passed out in a blaze of glory! It takes some courage to say at the end of a successful season that it is time for a sport to come to an end, but the Athletic Association evidently has its reasons, and the action is probably a wise one. At any rate, nobody can be dissatisfied with the record of this year's team, and it is much better to be able to look back to a past record with pride than to be obliged to apologize for a present one.

The Tech publishes elsewhere the revised draft of the plan for season tickets for athletics. This is no wild idea, put forward without thought for the consequences, but is a carefully planned and well-matured remedy for existing evils.

The athletic situation at the Institute has been for some time a critical one, and certain of the minor sports have been conducted at a loss. This condition must not continue; either the student body must come forward in support of the team, or the payment of professional coaches must be given up. In case of the latter action, deterioration of the team affected would be immediate and inevitable.

In the past many of the managers have been obliged to go about the Institute soliciting subscriptions for their teams, or selling tickets for this or that meet. Hereafter the student body will be no longer harassed by continual calls for quarters and half dollars, but each student who subscribes the \$3.00 at the beginning of the season will be able

to attend any or all of the Institute contests without further trouble on his part.

The plan to be tried at the Institute has been eminently successful at other colleges, and there would seem to be no reason why it should not work well this time.

COMMUNICATION

To the Editor of The Tech:

The Mining Department of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology desires to return thanks to Mr. E. D. Mellen for his kindness in presenting the department a Wagner Mica Plate Machine for generating static electricity. The machine will be of use in a number of ways, for ore separation, for settling dust, etc.

Robert H. Richards.

BIGELOW WILL SPEAK

The annual meeting of the Technology Club will be held next Tuesday at 7:45 o'clock, to hear reports, to elect officers for the ensuing year, and to consider any other business which may come up before the club. In connection with the meeting, the tenth Smoke Talk of the season will be held. Major John Bigelow, Jr., will talk on "Military Reminiscences."

At a meeting of the nominating committee, held April 1, the following persons were nominated for the ensuing year: for President, W. Lyman Underwood 1899; Vice-President, Seth K. Humphrey 1898; Secretary, Roger S. Williams 1895; Treasurer, Augustus H. Gill 1884; Members of the Council to serve three years, Arthur T. Bradley 1888, Andrew D. Fuller 1895, Walter E. Piper 1894, Howard L. Coburn 1897, William E. Mott 1889.

FAREWELL TO CLIFFORD

Thinks That Harvard Needs Some Good Red Tech Blood

Last night at the American House the Electrical Engineering Society gave a farewell dinner to Prof. H. E. Clifford. The banquet was well attended, and proved the most successful of the year from a social standpoint.

When John Mills, President of the Society, introduced Prof. Clifford as a man who since 1882 has needed no introduction to an Institute audience, and who for many years has needed no introduction to a technical audience, the applause was long and vigorous.

Prof. Clifford said that he felt extremely sorry that he should have to be present at a farewell dinner given in his own honor. The only reason for the change, he said, was that he felt that it was for the good of technical education. It was not a question of his cheering for Harvard, but of his advancing the new graduate school of science. There is, and probably never will be, any real rivalry between the Harvard school and the Institute, for the two schools are widely different, the Harvard school being a strictly graduate school.

He strongly advised the members of the club to get into personal contact with their fellow-men. Without it one misses the best part of life. Learn to appreciate the good qualities of your fellow-men, and you will profit immensely by it. If I am worth anything today, it is due to my personal contact with the members of my department here at the Institute.

"No matter how learned you may be or how brilliant, you will not be successful if you do not possess this subtle quality. It is the duty of every man to cultivate this power of application which (Continued on page 4.)

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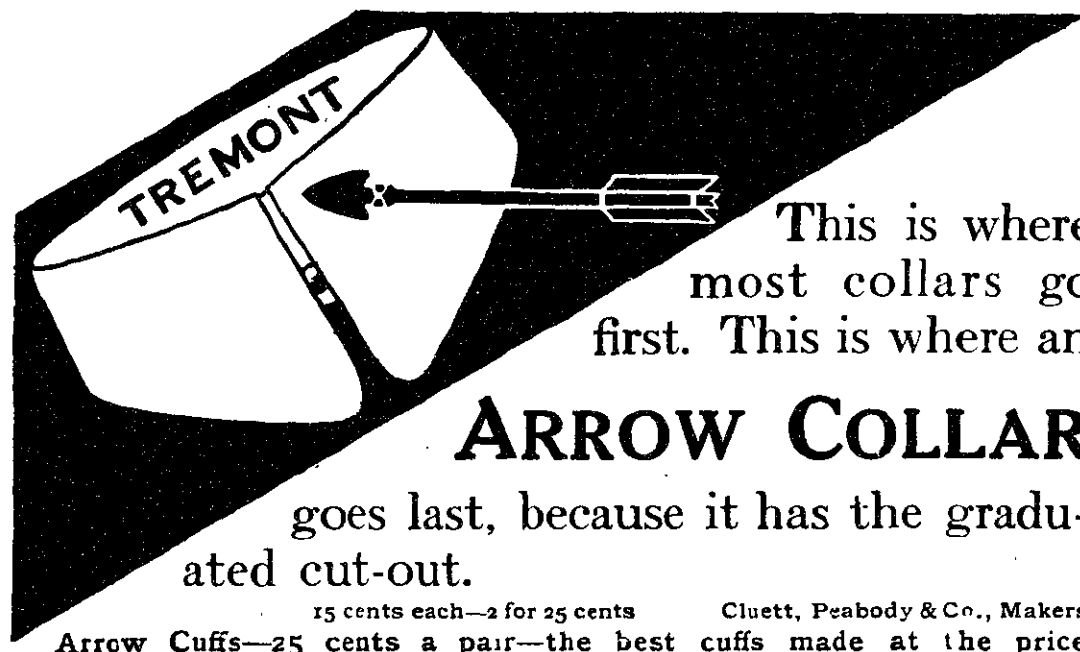
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