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Just now, when so many of the activities of men are coming out and giving them support, perhaps it would be well to remind men that primarily they owe it to themselves to look after their studies. No man who has a good record should hesitate to come out for that activity for which he feels most fitted. Indeed, a man with a good record is not doing the right thing if he just draws himself back into a shell and grinds mournfully to the end of the term, and seldom could a man be seen to respect this custom, and seldom would a man be seen in the Union with a hat on his head. This year, however, the men are apparently getting a little lazy and are becoming more forgetful. At present there are seldom a time when some two or three men are not in the Union, with their hats on. Such action is, to say the least, not polite, and does not show much regard for an Institute tradition. It evidently getting a little lazy and are being more forgetful. At present there are seldom a time when some two or three men are not in the Union, with their hats on. Such action is, to say the least, not polite, and does not show much regard for an Institute tradition. A little thought, a little care, would remove this custom and improve the dignity to the Union. Take off that hat, and you will notice the difference.

Since September, 1908, when the new Union was opened to the student body, it has been the custom for every man to remove his hat upon entering the living room. All last year the men were very careful to respect this custom, and seldom would a man be seen in the Union with a hat on his head. This year, however, the men are apparently getting a little lazy and are becoming more forgetful. At present there are seldom a time when some two or three men are not in the Union, with their hats on. Such action is, to say the least, not polite, and does not show much regard for an Institute tradition. A little thought, a little care, would remove this custom and improve the dignity to the Union. Take off that hat, and you will notice the difference.

Last year, when Mr. Schall, then a very prominent member of the class of 1860, invented the point system for the purpose of overcoming the intractable spirits of students, he proceeded through the medium of the Institute as the custodian for the same, and is still respected by the student body. That this system is not calculated to be injurious has been amply proven, for it has been adopted by the Faculty, and has been adopted "in toto" by all of the classes, save the society, though, of launching such a scheme on the student body and having it approved by them if it is not to be re- peated. Why should some good, exact men who, through expediency or panic, would hold positions counting much more than ten points resign from, or refuse election to, positions that would give them more than half of the number, if there are at the same time men who are carrying two or three points? The system is complicated as best, and there may be many who think it unjust, but has been adopted by the student body and requires the support of every student. A man might in the latter ten points hasn't energy to reduce the number of his own free will than he should be required to do so. Why doesn't the management of the college year by students at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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GENERAL NEWS

TELEGRAPH NEWS OF THE DAY.

WEATHER REPORT.

Washington, Feb. 10.—Forecast for Boston and vicinity—Friday, fair; moderate to west wind. Nearly normal temperature. For Eastern New York—Fair, except snow northwest, north portion; moderate west winds.

Declaring that in the next ten years the New Haven railroad expects to spend $50,000,000 in the development of its transportation facilities in Massachusetts, and that in 15 years he believes the company will furnish light and water powers to all the water-power rights in every city on its lines, Vice President Byrnes yesterday submitted the legislative committee on railroads to aid the company to validate its securities in Massachusetts. In addition to this information that the New Haven road hoped to become a significant light and power trust, Mr. Byrnes also "admitted" that in order to keep the road to be a monument for his name, he would speed the $50,000,000 in the development of the company that will supply the whole country with its appropriate name.

New York, Feb. 11.—An International Astronomical Congress has been arranged to take place next June. The movement has started by the Aero Club of Columbia University.

Boston, Feb. 11.—Mayor Fitzgerald intends to make the public meetings that he has been holding with the city council in different parts of the city, monthly affairs. The meetings will be similar to the regular "town meetings" and every tax payer will be given the chance to make complaints or advocate improvements. So far the meetings have been very successful.

The women operators and clerks in the employ of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company will soon share in the division of $500,000, which has been negotiated by the officials of the company to increase their wages.

Poughkeepsie, Feb. 11.—In Dr. Robert Hunter's annual report for the past year the usual statement, just published, makes the statement that in the last three or four years there have been com mitted by the Massachusetts State police, half a dozen or more notable criminals whose cases are far removed from any well defined type of insanity.

Cambridge, Feb. 11.—Gardner, one of the star forwards of the Harvard hockey team, is out of the game for an indefinite period of account of cramps.

Norwood, Feb. 11.—Walter Comling, of 77 Clay St., Norwood, died at his home town early yesterday morning after an illness of ten days. He was a prominent member of his class up to the time of his leaving the Institute last June. He was a member of Theta Xi Fraternity.

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