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EDITORIAL Orchard Feb 11 1910

Just about this time of the year each fellow finds himself wondering just where he is going to get the funds necessary to complete the school year. It's not alone the tuition, for that necessarily large, but the cost of text books is out of all proportion to the required tuition. When a fellow goes into Mac's and starts to buy the books that the bulletin calls for he is forcibly reminded of that song in the Tech song book about Teddy Freshman sending home for more cash. Each year the price of text books increases. Tech will soon be a place only for rich men's sons.

Prof. Pickering 1879, of Harvard says that we need have little fear of the deadly gases found in the tail of Halley's comet, which is rushing towards us at the rate of millions of miles per minute. "The cyanogen gas involved in the comet's tail is much too rarified to effect the earth," says Prof. Pickering, "Besides, there is no hydrogen in the earth's atmosphere except that in the form of water vapor, and, being in this state, it is impossible for it to unite with the cyanogen gas in the comet's tail and form hydro-cyanic gas." This is indeed encouraging. We can now draw a long sigh of relief.

Boston theatre goers are fast realizing the opportunities offered them at the Boston Opera House on Huntington Avenue. The operas thus far produced have proved remarkably successful. Grand opera will be furnished on Saturday evenings at popular prices—with "Il Trovatore" for this week. It is an educational institution in itself that should be made a feature in the life of us all.

GENERAL NEWS

TELEGRAPH NEWS OF THE MORNING.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Forecast for New England and eastern New York: Heavy snow Saturday; Sunday fair, northeast shifting to northwest gales.

New York, Feb. 11.—An explosion which resulted in the injury of two gunners' mates, occurred yesterday on board the U. S. battleship Virginia, while that vessel was firing a salute off Guantanamo, Cuba.

Boston, Feb. 12.—During a fire in a West End apartment house, a gas explosion hurled glass and other debris into the street. The inhabitants were thrown into a panic. \$4,000 damage was done.

Commander Peary proposes to spend a month lecturing in Europe. He proposes to lecture before the Royal Geographical Society of London, also in Paris, Berlin and Brussels.

Revere, Feb. 12.—A new vaccine discovered by Dr. Leary of Tufts Medical School has cured a Revere lad of Cepto Meningitis. The boy had been given up as incurable by other methods.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Washington, Feb. 12.—A medal of honor instead of promotion to rear admiral for Commander Robert E. Peary, discoverer of the north pole, is proposed by a sub-committee of the House Committee on naval affairs. The sub-committee yesterday unanimously disapproved the bill passed by the Senate making Peary a rear admiral.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Orville and Wilbur Wright were yesterday presented with the Langley Medal of the Smithsonian Institute. The presentation was made by Chief Justice Fuller in the presence of many noted scientists. The medal is in commemoration of the work of Prof. Langley in aeronautics.

Washington, Feb. 11.—The House has passed the McCall bill for a commission on fine arts to see that the development of the national capital shall comport with artistic taste.

The action of the House was largely a personal tribute to Mr. McCall. His colleagues had been telling him Congress would not consent to the creation of another commission. Mr. McCall, however, succeeded in getting the measure through with one or two amendments.

Washington, Feb. 10.—According to a report of the Department of Commerce and labor, issued yesterday, one of the causes for the high price of meat is that live stock receipts for the past year at the leading interior markets of the United States were the lowest since 1904. Receipts of cattle and hogs show a decrease of from 12 to 19 per cent. compared with those in 1905 to 1907. The annual shipments of packinghouse products from Chicago (2,151,663,713 lbs.) were below those reported for any of the preceding five years. The report also shows a great decrease in grain receipts.

Washington, Feb. 11.—Massachusetts fares well in the rivers and harbors appropriation bill, completed today. The bill, which is now ready to be reported to Congress, carries approximately \$40,000,000, of which sum in the neighborhood of \$600,000 is allotted to projects in Massachusetts. This sum is in addition to an appropriation of \$1,000,000 for continuing the improvements to Boston harbor, under existing contracts, which will be included in the sundry civil appropriation bill.

FOREIGN.

Palma, Majorca, Feb. 12.—The French trans-Atlantic steamer Generay Chauzy, from Marseilles, has been wrecked on the north coast of this island. It is stated that only a single passenger was saved out of all the 210 persons on board. The vessel is a complete loss.

Stockholm, Feb. 11.—King Gustav, recently operated upon for appendicitis, passed a good night and is on the rapid road to recovery.

Buenos Ayres, Feb. 11.—The French Antarctic expedition headed by Dr. J. M. Charco, was communicated with by the Captain of the S. S. Sud in the Straits of Magellan.

TECH RELAY

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of Vermont; Worcester Polytech vs. M. A. C.; Harvard Freshmen vs. Yale Freshmen; Brooklyn Gym A. A. vs. Kalumet Boat Club; St. Alphonsus vs. Providence A. C.; Harvard vs. Cornell; Williams vs. Wesleyan; Amherst vs. Brown; Bates vs. Colby; Boston College vs. Holy Cross; Bowdoin vs. Tufts; Syracuse vs. Columbia; Penn vs. Princeton; Pastime A. C. vs. Boston; M. I. T. vs. Dartmouth; B. A. A. vs. New York A. C.; Harvard vs. Yale.

The Technology relay team consists of P. D. White, W. C. Salisbury, H. Lockett and L. O. Mills. Dartmouth will run L. P. Hall, N. A. Sherman, T. A. Smith and C. H. Baxter.

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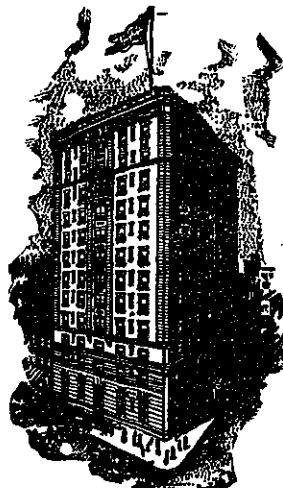
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