floor was always met by another stream at the landings of the stairways and fire escapes, causing jams.

The annual banquet of the Society will be held at the Copely Square Hotel at 6:30 p.m., May 7th. Three speakers have already been obtained for that night. They are Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald, Asst. Soc. C. E., and a member of the firm of Metzalf & Eddy, consulting hydraulic engineer; and Prof. C. G. Stedfast, of the head of the Department of Civil Engineering. The tickets for the banquet are $2 and they are for sale by the officers of the Society.

PROTECTION AGAINST FIRE IN FACTORIES

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It was found that the most satisfactory way of safeguarding a factory from the danger of fire was to divide it into small divisions, confining the fire to one section. Then it is only necessary for the people to move out of the burning section and to close the fire doors.

After Mr. Porter had perfected this method in his own factory, he proceeded to install it in other factories throughout the state. This brought him in touch with a great variety of conditions and gave him the experience which has made him invaluable to the New York State Legislature in passing bills for fire protection.

Mr. Porter showed numerous slides representing very poor fire protection facilities and then in contrast showed diagrams and photographs exhibiting a fire protection equipment of approved design. The talk was punctuated with many of Mr. Porter's personal experiences. He told about the Huyler factory in New York as well as numerous other factories and buildings where a fine showing.

The men will meet at the North Station at 12:50 tomorrow and will be expected to have had their lunches at that time.

MECHANICS' BANQUET

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The annual banquet of the Mechanical Engineering Society will be held at the American House on Wednesday afternoon, April 29th. An attractive menu has been obtained at the nominal sum of $1.25. Mr. Wm. Lawrason, the author of Xerme's History, will be present and speak to the Society; Prof. Miller, head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, has also been obtained and the committee in charge of affairs is trying to get other speakers from the faculty as well as men from the outside.

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