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IN CHARGE OF THIS ISSUE
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We take great pleasure in presenting to our readers the following communication from the Assistant Manager of the Track Team.

COMMUNICATION
The Editor of The Tech:
Dear Sir—Probably nothing made as great an impression upon the members of the Track Team as the wonderful spirit and enthusiasm shown by the student body toward the team on the way to the meet. From the vocalists with whom the remarks of the first speaker were received at the student mass meeting the evening before the meet, to the final cheer which our team was given on departing the next day, every action bespoke the pride which the student body there as great an impression upon the members of the track team in the United States could claim superiority over us. This may say with the greatest of confidence, and we have one of the finest coaches in the country to make good the boast, we are given half the chance.

At Bowdoin we were given credit for being one of the strongest if not the strongest of the New England track teams, and the probable winner of the New England Intercollegiate Championships this year. In Boston the first Tech man I met on returning from Brunswick wanted to know where the Track Team had been. I thanked him mentally for his violent display of interest, and then wondered at the contrast, a contrast disprovable but true.

Why is it that Technology's only spring and fall intercollegiate sport is unexpected, while Bowdoin, which has a total population less than that of one of our classes, and which has both football and baseball to occupy its men, responds to the same sport with the enthusiasm of red blooded Americans.

There are several "whys." One of them is that poverty stricken entity which "takes in" Walpole's, the St. James, or the Galton once or twice a week, but he has failed to pay his class dues ever since the examiners submitted his to the Institute. There are those who claim that this species was never thoroughly examined. Another "why" is the many held "seat warmer" who infests the acoustics you might say for a friend. If you don't know us—we think you will find it a pleasure to become acquainted.

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