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his best toward keeping up the scholarship standard of Technology. For an example where studies are sacrificed for class affairs, consider the usual Technique board. Every year a number of Juniors work hard and earnestly on Technique. Their labors generally result in an excellent book, but the number of failures in studies due to this work is notorious. It is well to note that almost every Junior on the board is connected with one or more other affairs; also the third year is not easy in any course.

In student activities, as in study, a man should be thorough. In order to do his work well he must devote himself to it. A man can do good work in his studies and still have time enough to perform one outside duty in good shape. More than one important position should not be held by any one man. Presidents of classes and clubs, captains of teams, and committees, all capable men, have often, due to excessive overload, failed to efficiently carry on their work. They have not had time to put care and thought on their duties sufficient to ensure their greater possible improvement.

For example in times past the Institute Committee has proved itself rather useless. The men on the committee were prominent and had other obligations. No competition was required to make the committee, no effort was necessary to hold a place on it, no settled reputation had to be lived up to, no tabulated list of duties must be followed, and the members were a great deal more interested in other duties where they were forced to work hard. Consequently they did not spend the time necessary to develop the committee's possibilities. It is admirable for men to go into things hard. Every man should work hard for some student activity, both for the good it may do him and the good it may do Technology. Still he should not allow his zeal to carry him so far that he may injure himself and others.

DEAN BURTON NEXT WEDNESDAY.

Will Speak to Freshmen on Student Activities.

In place of the announced lecture by Pres. Noyes on a choice of course, Dean Burton will talk to the freshmen on the interesting and valuable features of mechanical drawing. This talk will be given Wednesday, Dec. 11, at 4 P.M., in 6 Lowell. President Noyes will give his lecture at a time next week not yet decided.

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On Friday night the Banjo, Mandolin, and Glee Clubs of the Institute gave a concert at the reunion and dance of the Abington high school association at Abington, Mass. The concert was a pronounced success and the fifty Tech men in the clubs were a credit to the Institute. Boston musical critics have conceded that these clubs are among the best in New England, and the performance at Abington proved the statement true.

The following program was given:
"Ho! Jolly Jenkin".....Glee Club
"Across the Missouri".....Mandolin Club
Cello Solo, "Cantilena".....

Abbot H. Thompson
"Pastimes on the Levee".....Banjo Club
"Winter Song".....Glee Club
"Estudiantina".....Mandolin Club
Solo, "The Mighty Deep".....George Lunt
"The March of the Minute Men".....

Banjo Club
"Stein Song".....Glee Club
The Glee Club added "The Billy Goat" to its list by request of some Tech men in the audience.

A few more guitars are needed in the Mandolin Club, the work of which will be considerably improved if some recruits for the needed parts will present themselves.

EDMOND'S TRIP OF SCIENTIFIC
INTEREST.

Professor George W. Edmond, who has been studying recently in the petrographical laboratories of the Institute, is now at the head of an expedition to Lower California and Mexico. Mr. Edmond is a graduate of John Hopkins University and now a resident of Southern California. He expects to work up his scientific results in the laboratories of the Institute, and the geological records of the expedition will be returned to the geological department.

Prof. Edmond is accompanied by W. J. Forbes of New York, and the travel is by pack-train across the desert ranges, between the Gulf of California and the Pacific. This region is of the greatest geological interest because it is unknown, and because rocks may be expected in the Lower California mountain belts which will throw light on the relation between the Sierra Nevada and the coast ranges of California.

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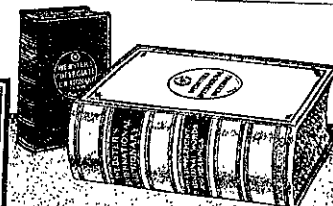
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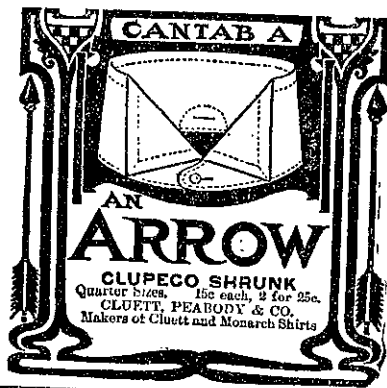
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