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BOSTON, MASS., APRIL 23, 1910.

Technology's track season will be opened this year by the spring meet, to be held this afternoon at the Field.

Track men are hoping and working for a championship team, one that will defeat Wesleyan on May 7, and head the list of winners at the New England Intercollegiate Meet later on.

Not all men at the Institute can be on the "varsity" track team, but there is no reason why every individual at Tech, with a few exceptions, can't go out and help his classmates, who have enough spirit to keep themselves alive, win the meet this afternoon.

Forget the grind for once, it only costs a quarter, the fresh air will do you good, and even if the meet does bore you, (which it won't) you can figure the radius of curvature of the back stretch, the chances of the hammer punching a hole in the rear fence, or the effect of the femininity in the grandstand on the contestants' efforts.

Bring your best girl with you, if possible the second best also, but at any rate, come yourself!

In the death of Samuel L. Clemens, better known to all as Mark Twain, the world of letters has lost a personage whose influence was universal. Well may he be called the Dean of American humor, for in him has American humor reached its present height.

The last years of Mark Twain's life were full of sorrow and anguish, but through them all he maintained his characteristic cheerfulness and dignity. The loss of his wife was a terrible blow to Twain, from which he never

fully recovered. The following epitaph which he had placed on his wife's grave, reveals the tenderness of the man's nature:

Warm summer sun.
Shine kindly here.
Warm southern wind,
Blow softly here.
Green sod above,
Lie light, lie light.
Good night, dear heart,
Good night, good night.

The following glowing tribute was made by President MacLaurin:—"The most original feature of America is its humor. Whether rightly or not, Mark Twain was regarded as the best representative of this trait, it was peculiarly human in its appeal, and Mark Twain was consequently better and more widely known throughout all the world than any other American of his generation."

Mark Twain is no more. But the fame of what he was and the influence of what he did will remain as a pleasant memory for many generations to come.

COMMUNICATION

Editor of The Tech,

Dear Sir:—The varied criticisms of the show which have appeared in two recent issues of The Tech have given some ground for comment.

A feeling of dissatisfaction, common to auditors and participants in the show, has been aroused which should not exist among the students. Tech has no course listed in the catalog primarily intended for the development of actors or authors of musical comedy. For that reason the show cannot expect the praise given the work of accomplished entertainers.

But on the other hand, our men should be accorded in print, the hearty approval of all Tech men as it is extended to them in performances at home and abroad. The men who have been honored as authors, the men who for more than ten weeks have been privileged to devote their time to the production, and the management who have welcomed the increase in their work during the whole school year, have all given freely of their time for the entertainment of their friends.

Shall their work be held up to ridicule in our very midst, while receiving at the same time the generous recognition of the local press?

When our cross-country team by chance loses a run to another college is each individual scored for not making his point, and is the team condemned as a whole? When the track team is defeated in a dual meet do we make sport of our men or throw cold water on the squad? Such a course would be ruinous to athletics.

For this reason alone should not our critics endeavor to review from a more friendly standpoint the show which now has the reputation among colleges of being the best production in the east? It would be well for us all to remember the Tech spirit which has meant so much to the Institute in the past:—each man standing by the other, and each spurring the other on to efforts of greater moment than those attempted before.

SYD. A. MALCOLM '10.

Boston, April 23.—Mayor Fitzgerald yesterday sent to the civil service commission the name of Surveyor McCarthy for the position of fire commissioner at a salary of \$5000 per year.

In making the announcement the mayor made the boast that the appointment will be a big shock to the Lodge interests of the republican party, and he believes McCarthy will make a splendid fire commissioner.

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