ness, and for the efficacious methods employed, in the course in chemistry in our own institution. Mr. Pond is the second graduate of State to receive the "Magna Cum Laude" degree, the other being Dr. W. H. Walker, '90, at present Assistant Professor of Chemistry in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

On January 21, at Scranton, Judge James A. Beaver handed down a decision of the Superior Court in the matter of the appeal of the Nuding Brewing Co. from a decree of the Court of Common Pleas of Schuylkill county. In this matter, which was a determined contest over a fund realized from a sheriff's sale of real estate, R. P. Swank, '89, secured in favor of his clients in turn the report of the auditor appointed by Court to award distribution, the decree of the lower Court upon appeal from report of auditor and finally a decision of the Superior Court upon appeal from the decree of the lower Court. Mr. Swank's law office is located in Mahanov City, Schuylkill Co., Pa.

LOCALS.

The biological department has issued a circular for general distribution descriptive of the course.

The '97 La Vie board had a number of photographs taken, among them the class of '97 and the athletic team.

Those composing the Senior Hop Committee are C. S. Gingrich, C. E. Scott, W. W. Greenland, Jr., R. A. McCrea and J. M. Vastine.

At a meeting of the Scientific Association, held in the Physical laboratory February 18, Prof. Osmond illustrated the method of making X-ray photographs.

A new five-horse power Otto gas engine has been added to the equipment of the mechanical engineering department. It will be used for experimental purposes.

A society of about twenty members has been organized in the Sophomore class, its object being to practice French conversation. Meetings are held every Thursday.

The persons elected on the Junior Assembly Committee are A. L. Cromlish, T. Baumgardner, R. M. McKinley, A. S. McAllister, H. H. Allen, J. A. Dunsmore and J. T. Harris.