

than one takes place) so offences after the sitting of the court pass unheeded. The court must sit, so if there are not legitimate cases, something must be concocted, and so someone suffers. The system is obviously faulty if all are not dealt with alike.

For example, the science court should not have sat last session. There were no legitimate cases. Thus, as already explained, persons were accused and cases invented. They said it would not do to miss the night's fun. So the junior prosecuting attorney visited some freshman classes, and such cases as "swelled head" were invented. Imagine the charge! To prove this case of the "graph" and the "slide rule" were used. The prosecuting attorney moreover, read a long paper of slurs on this student. This is an example of creating amusement for the audience at the expense of an innocent student. It is a recognized fact at this court at least, that freshmen alone are prosecuted. The judge, last session, had the amount of the fines calculated before he ever came to the court.

The medical court has long since been recognized as a matter of huge horse-play. At that court last session a prisoner barely escaped serious injury by being drawn through, and suspended at the top of a door, from which he had to be cut loose. But the medical court has sat this session. The crier's report, with all its obscene language, might well be improved as an "opening of the court." The so-called "medical experts" brought in reports of the prisoners subjected to them, which consisted of coarse ludicrousness and filthy

jokes. Two such experts are always elected for this purpose. The "junior judge's" superfluous fines throughout the court were five and ten cents. Yet when a man was proven guilty of an offence he was fined but ten cents.

In the arts court last session there were a number of cases of those against whom there was spite first, and after these were over the court was adjourned, ostensibly to meet again, but, of course it never did. In this manner (obvious to all) the favorites were shielded and allowed to go free. The case over the At Home ticket was evidently a case of spite, shown by the conviction without proof, and by the prevailing wrath of the prosecuting attorney. The other case—that of the disturbance in the consulting library, was clearly a case of "getting even" over an At Home squabble. Moreover the chief witness admitted making as much noise as the prisoner. Why was he not arraigned? At this court it wasn't a matter of finding out if the accused were innocent but of convicting them at any cost. The judge, evidently, had concluded what decisions he would give before he came to the court, and what the fines should be. Imagine the justice! The accused might as well put up no case,—simply ask how much is the spite, and what is the fine.

"O judgement! thou art fled to brutish beasts,

And men have lost their reason."

If the court is to remain at all, all cases should be held privately. Then the "junior judge fines"—that spurious auxiliary to justice—would be excluded. A man would not be summoned simply to fill in a night's fun for others. And all legitimate cases