It is well known that much in the way of apparatus, etc., is needed for properly carrying on the work of the school, and the want of it will never be more keenly felt than now. The above is illustrated by the spectacle of students in mechanical engineering spending time and money in procuring apparatus which the Institute can and should furnish, and the lack of which deters many from experimental work which might be of great value. It does not look well for an institution like this to go a begging for apparatus which a few hundred dollars would purchase.

As another illustration, we might mention the large number of students, who, at the beginning of the year, were anxious to take up electrical work, and who were deterred by lack of apparatus. This apparatus must be purchased next year; why not purchase it now? Lack of means can no longer be pleaded as an excuse for parsimony. We have received a generous donation, amounting to nearly $100,000, from the late Mrs. Henry Edwards; and though we understand that the amount is not immediately available, the Institute can have no difficulty in procuring the sum required for our present needs. We trust that due regard will be had for the sentiment of the students in this matter, which so closely concerns their welfare.

As a number of students have been heard to express the desire of knowing something about the "Sigma Gazelles," we thought it would be appropriate to say a few words regarding this body. The society, although the oldest in the Institute, perhaps, has not until the present time been very conspicuous, mainly for two reasons: the first being on account of the comparatively few members, and the second on account of the great secrecy.

It can now, however, boast of a goodly num-