Department Notes.

How about that Sellers shaper at the arsenal? The regulators recently added to the suction in the analytical laboratory fill a long-felt want.

Chemists of all years are now beginning to pray for C. P results to their analyses of semi-annual examination papers.

The second-year architects resent the insinuation that the new fountain on the Common is one of their solutions to the six-column problem.

Some of the '86 mechanicals have finished their detail drawings, and have begun erection drawings of the Putnam Tool Company's lathes at the shops.

The first long run of the year in the mining laboratory was an agglomeration beginning at 8 a.m., Tuesday, Dec. 29, and lasting until Wednesday at 6 p.m. At the end of the run the '85 miners looked as if they had been on a carnival spree for a whole week.

Saturday, Jan. 3, the members of the fourth-year applied mechanics classes made an afternoon trip to the Watertown Arsenal, to examine the testing machine. After listening to explanations of the details of the machine—method of applying and weighing the stress, system of improved "knife-edges," etc.—the preparation of a compression member of a bridge for testing in the machine was watched with interest.

The second-year architects have finished their six-column problem, and are working on the problem of a gardener's cottage, which will occupy the time until after the examinations begin. The fourth-year men have finished their international bridge; and next term Mr. Homer and Mr. Benton will begin their theses, after having worked out one or two more of the regular problems.

The second-year men have made several exceedingly interesting trips with Mr. Woodbridge lately, for the purpose of examining the different methods in use for ventilating and heating. Among the buildings thus visited are the Harvard Medical School, the Mason building, and the State House.

Did you go to the Concert? The semi-annuals begin Friday. Nine roomfuls of Freshman chemistry examination.

Conditions will be de rigueur with Freshmen next term.

Don't forget to write an article for The Tech during vacation.

An alligator was dissected in the biological laboratory last week.

Examinations in the School of Mechanic Arts begin Monday, Jan. 19.

Class dinners will be the all-absorbing topic of discussion after vacation.

At the winter athletic games, '86 won four events; '87, two; and '88, two.

The miners are grumbling about the amount of chemical work required of them.

Is the "New Building" never to have any other name? Why not call it Kidder Building?

The Freshmen and Sophomores do not finish their examinations until Monday, Jan. 26, much to their disgust.

President Walker is a member of the State commission on the geological and topographical survey of Massachusetts.

A Freshman in the chemical laboratory asked the other day where he could find the printing press to make the "printed calico" for an SO2 experiment.

On account of the vacations at other colleges, and consequent absence of news, we omit the "College World" column this week.

Dr. Wilson has finished his interesting course of lectures on embryology, which he delivered before a class of twenty students in the department of biology.