them how to describe an analysis accurately and fully, and in good English, so that any one could repeat the analysis from the notes, and would not be obliged to ask, “I wonder where that man learnt his English?”

It seems evident to us that the slight amount of training derived from this is altogether inadequate to the wants of the case. We have seen some of these notes, and have felt tempted to ask not only where that man learnt his English, but where he learnt to spell. We think a great advance might be made in the right direction if the Faculty could be brought to see this, and would make a certain amount of allowance on the marks of those who have done work for THE TECH. We do not hesitate to say that if such an occurrence could be brought about, that not only would the number of contributions increase, and the literary standard of THE TECH be raised thereby, but also the literary standard of the whole Institute would be improved. As it stands now, we are afraid that the Faculty regard the men who work for THE TECH with suspicion, thinking that they are taking too much time away from their professional work, and do not give them the credit of desiring to better themselves in a literary way. Not that we mean for a moment that the Faculty is at all opposed to THE TECH, which we know it regards with pride, but that professors are too prone to think that a man may be devoting too much of his time to it, and that he takes this time from his professional work.

It is, perhaps, useless for us to ask for contributions again, but we have been moved to do so by many reasons. It is very hard for a few men to do all the literary work required on THE TECH, and therefore it is not to be wondered at that after awhile it gets to be forced and mechanical, and the literary tone of the paper becomes lowered. This is principally why we have again broached this subject. The place which THE TECH holds among the college papers we consider is among the foremost; but it will not long be able to hold this place unless an improvement takes place. The editor is not seeking flattery when he says that the literary department of THE TECH has not been what it should have been this year, and that it does not truly represent the Institute. We are far from pleased with the work in this department, but the remedy lies not in our hands, but in the hands of the students.

IT is with the deepest feelings of regret that we chronicle the resignation of Mr. Greeley from the editorial staff of THE TECH. By his departure from the Institute, THE TECH loses one of its most ardent supporters and well-wishers, and one whose loss we find it particularly hard to bear. Although not with us in person, it is the sincere hope of the editor of THE TECH, that Mr. Greeley's interest in the welfare of the paper will be sufficiently great to let us hear from him frequently, in a literary way, in our columns. Much of the success of THE TECH this year has been due to his efforts, and it will be very difficult to make good his loss.

By Mr. Greeley's resignation, still another vacancy is produced in the already too small editorial board; it is, therefore, with feelings of pleasure, that we hope to be able to announce in the next number the election of several new editors, including one from the Freshman Class.

In other colleges the men who are applying for positions on the base-ball nines have been training for more than a month; and if we wish to make a creditable showing this year, some sort of systematic gymnasium-work should be undertaken by all those who intend to try for the team. Fast Day, on which the base-ball season is inaugurated each year, comes in a few weeks, and there will probably be some chance for out-door practice before that day, on which the first game will be played. The Association should call a meeting immediately, and complete all the preliminary work, so that all necessary measures may be taken for the selection of a team.

The first point to be settled is, as to whether we are to have a team this year. There seems