over the waters, and resounding across the tumultuous
tops of the transitory Titmice upon the intervening
and verdant mountains, with a serene and sickly suavi-
ity only known to the truly virtuous. The moon was
shining slobaciously from the star-bespringled sky,
while her light irrigated the smooth and shiny sides,
and wings, and backs of the Blue-Bottle-Flies with a
peculiar and trivial splendor, and all nature cheerfully
responded to the cerulean and conspicuous circum-
stances."

Mr. Lear was once accused of having a hidden
meaning in his delightful little books; but he indig-
nantly denies that he had any meaning at all.
The Spectator has got hold of an extraordinary
"Word-twister." He seems to be a clergyman.
"My brethren,"—so ran one of his most startling
announcements,—"we all know what it is to have a
half-warmed fish [half-formed wish] in our hearts."
He has been known to speak of "Kinguering
congs," and on one occasion, addressing himself to
a gentleman who had intruded on his seat in church
he politely remarked, "Pardon me, sir, but I think
you are occupewing my pie."

We can only say in conclusion, that there are a
great many good articles in the April magazines,
whose only defect is that they are serious. The
one that will perhaps be most attractive is entitled,

W. P. A.

Communications.
The Editors do not hold themselves responsible for opinions
expressed by correspondents.

To the Editors of The Tech:

I was very much interested in the editorial about
salaried officers in the last TECH, but it seemed to
me that the editorial made a rather one-sided state-
ment of the case. I do not wish to be understood
as advocating salaries, but I do think that there
should not be such a wholesale denunciation of
them as appeared in your editorial. It seems to
me in the first place that where the mistake was
made by the Co-operative Society, was in the call-
ing of the remuneration to be received a salary. I
do not think they ought to get a salary; but would
not their work be better if they knew that they
received a certain percentage for every tradesman
added to the list, or for every increase in the amount
of discount to be given the Society. It seems to me
that it would, for now there is no particular incentive
for the president of the Co-op. to go around town
trying to get new and more advantageous discounts.
He will get just as much honor from his position if
he does not go to all this trouble. It is greatly to
the credit of the retiring president of the Co-op. that,
he has been so energetic and untiring in his efforts.
Yet I do not believe that there are more than half a
dozen men in the Institute who appreciate what
he has done, or even know anything about it. It
must not be overlooked, either, that the Co-op. is
purely and solely a money-making institution, and
nothing else.

Although you stated in your editorial that The
Tech is not run for money, that is true, I believe,
only so far as the directorial and editorial boards
are concerned. Their work is considered a suffici-
ent honor, so that no remuneration is needed. But
the directors, nevertheless, appreciate that the giving
a percentage increases a man's efforts, and conse-
quently you find that the advertising agent, though
not a salaried officer, gets a considerable sum of
money each year for his efforts, the amount of it en-
tirely depending on his own activity and business
ability.

As I have said, the honor of the position of editor
is supposed to be a sufficient remuneration. But I no-	ice that there seems to be a great lack of enthusiasm
in trying for positions on the editorial board. Accor-
ding to your own account this is not the case with a
great many other college papers, which have more
material to choose from than they can possibly use.
I think that a great part of the reason why this is so,
is due to the fact that it is known that any money
which may be made by the paper is divided up
among the editors at the end of the year. I do not
think that the men try to get on for the mere sake of
the money, but that the honor of the position alone,
is not sufficient to tempt men to give up a certain
portion of their time to extra work, and perhaps
take this time away from their studies. Now, I
would not advocate any such division of the money
on The Tech, but I think that if the Board of Di-
rectors were to offer a number of money prizes for
articles, and not exclude the board of editors from
the competition, that there would spring up a brisk
competition for places on the board which could
not fail to benefit The Tech.