THE SEMIES are past, and once more we are all back again at the Institute. Well, not all, but most of us are. The Tech extends its greetings to each and every one, and hopes that you have all successfully passed in everything. We trust that you will all keep those good resolutions made about two weeks ago; but, alas! we are pretty sure that you won't. The Annuals are four months off, and so now for a good time while we may, thinks every one. So much for our good resolutions! The Tech has seen them all made before,—yes, and broken, too, quite unconsciously. And let us hope that it is not so very far off in the dim future, that we shall have some system of examinations and marks that will be satisfactory to most of us.

We are afraid that there has been a certain amount of unkind comment about the reduced size of the last Tech. We are sorry for this, but it is unjust to expect the editors to always do all the work.

THE project of forming an Institute Banjo Club seems to have entirely fallen through; and this is due to the unwillingness of any one to take hold and give it a good start, and not to the lack of good banjo-players here. From a consideration of the facts, we are led to think that if a banjo club is to be started, it must be by the energy of some one of the lower class men; for although there are plenty of upper class men who play the banjo, there are none willing to do the work necessary to start a club. Therefore we think that if there are any of the Sophomore or Freshman Class willing to take the trouble to start the club, they should not be any longer held back by waiting for the matter to be started by the '88 or '89 men. In view of this general unwillingness to start a banjo club, we are glad to state that there are some prospects of the formation of one by some of the members of the Hammer and Tongs Club, to be known as the H. and T. Banjo Club. This, however, can in no way take the place of a representative banjo club from the Institute, so no one should be restrained by this fact from doing his best to start into life an Institute Banjo Club.

LAST year the Society of '87, in co-operation with the Class, gave a reception to the Faculty of the Institute, which was most successful and enjoyable. Such meetings, we think, cannot fail to be of benefit, as they bring us in closer connection with the authorities here, and in a different and more pleasant way than in our ordinary association with them. Why could not the Class of '88 keep up this pleasant custom? All the members of '87 whom we have spoken to on this subject, were unanimous in saying that this reception was a pleasant experience to all of them. Let the Society of '88 take this matter into consideration, though it