HERE at the Institute we have, unfortunately, but few well-established customs. Endeavors are made from time to time to originate some new social event which may be kept up by our successors, and so become a firmly fixed tradition; but, as a rule, such efforts are failures. Last year there was a striking exception to this; the Senior Dinner, given to the Senior Class by the undergraduates, was in every respect a success. All that is necessary now is to endeavor to surpass the precedent shown us by the dinner last April.

The Tech had a hand in the abolition of the Senior Ball, and the substitution of a Senior Dinner last year; this year it wishes to impress on every one the propriety of continuing a custom started under such favorable auspices. We all know what a dismal failure the annual ball had come to be, and it would have been given up long before it was except for the feeling that a fitting substitute should first be found. The substitute has been found; now we should make it an established social event.

The Class of '91 has already held a meeting, and appointed a committee. If the other classes promptly follow, and do what they can to aid in making suitable arrangements, the success of the dinner will be sure. We will then have an annual custom,—one which we have to a great extent originated ourselves, and to which we may point with pride as an evidence of the growth of common social interests among Tech. men.

SINCE the completion and occupancy of the Engineering Building, an inconvenience that was more or less felt before, has become quite noticeable. The Engineering Building, and the New Building to some extent, are not in direct communication with the Secretary's office, and strangers who have business in either are often at a loss to find the room or person that they are seeking. This trouble could be remedied easily and satisfactorily if tablets were provided near the entrance of each building, giving opposite the number of the room the purpose for which it is employed,—a custom which is in general use in business blocks. There is no call with us for marble and gilt, or anything costly, but if an inexpensive arrangement of this kind were placed in each of our buildings, it would be appreciated by those who visit them. Something of the same nature is needed in the Engineering Building in the way of bulletin boards, which have not yet been supplied. Students whose work is confined entirely to that building, often fail to attend meetings the notices of which are posted in Rogers only. Two of the largest courses in the Institute have their headquarters in the Engineering Building; their convenience should be consulted, and some such improvement as we have suggested should be supplied.