ITH the season of torches and red fire now fully opened, and the preparations for Tech’s share in the festivities well under way, it may be of interest to our political enthusiasts to call attention for a moment to the Technology parades of ’84 and ’88. Permanent records of these are to be found in Techs of the day, and in the “Techniques” of ’87 and ’90, and there are many with us who will easily recall the events of at least the latter of the two. As is to be the case this year, both of these preceding parades were Republican, and represented Technology as a whole. In 1884 there were ten companies,—one from ’85, two from ’86, three from ’87, and four from ’88,—commanded by Col. Charles R. Richards, ’85, the other officers comprising, outside of company officers, a lieutenant-colonel, two majors, the adjutant, two surgeons, a quartermaster, paymaster, and chaplain. In 1888 we find the same complement of officers, with the addition of one major and five aids, while fourteen companies were turned out. The colonel was J. P. B. Fiske, ’89, but in his absence Hollis French, ’89, commanded, while the only ’92 man on the list was Allen French, who officiated as an aid. The order of procession was as follows: four barouches containing ’88 men; wagonette; tallyho coach containing directors and editors of The Tech; Colonel French and staff; fife, drum, and bugle corps; Class of ’89; Vocophone Band; Class of ’90; ’91 tallyho coach; Class of ’91; M. I. T. Fife and Drum Corps; Class of ’92. The uniform was cap and gown, in a judicious mixture of cardinal and gray. Passing over the events of the march, which, including the polite affair with Harvard, can be much better told by the many eyewitnesses we have among us, we will only say that the procession was a most brilliant affair and a decided success. Aside from any political standpoint, we see no reason to anticipate a different result this year, and with the advantage of experience and superiority in numbers, may fairly expect to even eclipse our predecessors. The Tech hopes that every man not hampered by political scruples will take great interest in the Republican torch-light parade of 1892, and be prepared to do his part toward its success, that it may be said of us in this as in other things, that what we did we did well.

THE selection of class officers by the Class of ’93 is worthy of the highest commendation. Mr. Bemis has made an enviable