In the *Engineering News* of October 20th may be found an article entitled "Membership in the American Society of Civil Engineers. Percentage of Successful Engineers from the Several Colleges." It is an article in a series on "The Engineering Schools of the United States."

This Society admits none to membership who have not attained at least the standing of Chief or Principal Engineer, or a position equally exacting. It is, moreover, a very representative organization, comprising the larger part of the most successful civil engineers, especially in the eastern portion of the country, and the men who are its members have become so because of their high standing among those of their profession.

It would seem, therefore, that a comparison of the percentage of membership from the various engineering colleges would give a reasonable estimate of the relative worth or advancement of these several institutions. This is made by finding the percentage of eligible men from each college, who are members of the Society, and it is found that the Massachusetts Institute of Technology leads all others with the large percentage of 32.2. Rensselaer comes next with 21.5 per cent, and Washington University, St. Louis, third, with 20 per cent. The following is taken from the article in partial comment on the above-mentioned percentages:

"Others may interpret these facts as they will, but no others which we have encountered in the course of this investigation have seemed to us such convincing evidence of the sterling merit of these three institutions for the training of engineers. What the young man, who is not a fool, wants, when he goes to a professional school is to be trained to succeed in his profession; not to get a kind of half knowledge and half training which merely gives him the sheepskin and the shadow without the substance; and it is a perfectly fair (though not precise) gauge of the real merit of a school to determine what proportion of a considerable number of graduates do actually succeed."

*The Tech* scarcely need make comment on the above. The worth and merit of the Institute, its high and honorable standards, are known and recognized, not only for its civil engineering but for all its various departments of professional work, throughout the educated world. Public appreciation is none the less sweet to us, however, for flattery is never unwelcome, even when it is deserved.

Well done, Ninety-five. You have won your game with the Freshmen. You have played fair and square and shown that you know football as a science. You were