Work on "Technique" is progressing, even with the near approach of the "semies," but many contributions are yet needed from the students at large, to make the annual a success. Give them your support, everybody.

The Architectural Department has sent to Paris for the most talented man to be had in the Beaux Arts to assist Mr. Meade in design. Since the course has become so large, the Faculty have decided to have two instructors to take the place of Professor Letang.

A petition has been presented to the Faculty by the class in Heating and Ventilation, asking that no examination be held in that subject. The reasons stated are, the lack of prescribed time for the study of the subject, and the very late appearance of Professor Woodbridge's book.

Through the kind efforts of Professor Carpenter and Mr. Herrick, the Freshman Class has been interested in the work of THE TECH. Many first-class articles by the '96 men have reached us, and these will be published as occasion offers. Do not stop here, gentlemen, but let the good work go on.

On December 20th a batch of lead ore was put through the blast furnace in the Mining Laboratory, and eight hundred and fifty-three pounds of lead were turned out. The run lasted from 9 A.M. until 3 P.M. This is the largest quantity of lead ever turned out at the Institute during so short a time.

The Junior Architects will shortly add to the appearance of themselves and their drawing room by wearing blouses of uniform color and cut. The blouse is a garment worn by draftsmen for comfort, to protect their clothes, and to insure their always being presentable to a client of the fairer sex. The last consideration, no doubt, brought about this change.

The Class of '93 started its Sophomore year with eleven regular students in the Architectural Course; there is but one candidate for a degree this year. Ninety-four started with twelve and has only seven of that number left as regulars, and they have yet the hardest term of the course to pass through. Freshmen, take notice! this is the "snap" course.

One of the professors in the Architectural Building is employing a novel method to keep the desks in his room in good order. At an unsuspected moment he questioned his class and found out who had scratched the desks. At present he is assessing his classes to pay for having the tops of the desks planed and varnished. Perhaps he may find it is harder to collect money than names. Honesty is the best policy, but where money is concerned there is a great difference.

"Now," said the grind, "you can plainly see that in the case of the sport, if we have the time spent in preparation and the required time of preparation, we find the efficiency to be very low indeed, probably not greater than 30 per cent at the outside. While following out the same line of reasoning in my case, you obtain for a minimum value of the duty per one million hours of work, a quantity which is not far from $H$. ($H$ representing the total brains of the professor.) My coefficient of friction is also much lower than the average student's, whose coefficient of sliding through is only a possible quantity.

The Glee Club, under the management of Mr. G. E. Merrill, '94, and led by Mr. F. C. Schmitz, '95, promises to give a very good account of itself in the near future. Out of the forty-four men competing for places upon it, seventeen have succeeded, and since then Mr. George, instructor in mathematics, has joined their ranks. The music will be new, and a great deal of it original, being composed by the instructor, Mr. Clarke. Mr. Crosby, '96, will give an exhibition of yodling at every concert, which will be quite a novel feature.

A benefit for the Football Association will be given during next term, in Huntington Hall; other dates are at Worcester, Wellesley, Lasell, Alumni Dinner, Melrose, etc.