Professors Niles, Burton and Porter, and Mr. Robbins, will conduct the summer school of civil engineering during the coming June.

Col. C. W. Folsom, of the Boston Sewer Department, has given two most interesting lectures on sewer construction to the students in Course I. of the fourth year.

A break in the steam pipe suspended all work in the engineering and architectural buildings on Monday. Quick work soon dispelled all hope of cuts on Tuesday.

The '93 dinner committee came out seven dollars to the good. The surplus has gone to the class treasury to pay for entries in the December Athletic Meeting.

Last week Mr. Doggett, superintendent of the Swift Chemical Works, in East Boston, delivered a lecture on acetic acid manufacture to the junior chemists and chemical engineers.

Mr. J. R. Freeman, '76, a graduate of Course I., has twice taken the Norman medal for investigations in hydraulic engineering. We believe this is the only case where this medal has been given to one man two years in succession.

Last Thursday '94 convened—at least part of them did—for the purpose of hearing the report of its Senior dinner committee. A quorum was not present, so, after receiving the results of the investigations, the meeting adjourned till the following Tuesday. The sentiments of all present seemed to be strongly in favor of an Institute dinner.

An adjourned meeting of the Sophomore class was held Friday noon. The report of the "Technique" committee was again taken up. The debates were long drawn out, often bearing upon points out of order. A few amendments to the report were passed. The report will be considered as a whole after all the clauses and amendments have been acted on.

K₂S held its monthly dinner at the Thordike, Tuesday evening, March 21st. Papers were read by H. N. Parker, on "Limestone and Dolomite Formations," H. R. Moody on "Short Cuts in Chemistry," and by A. E. Fowle on "The Manufacture of Candles." Messrs. E. F. Hicks, C. C. Taft, F. A. Schiertz, and A. R. Mackay were initiated.

The Boston Society of Civil Engineers seems to appreciate the true worth of Institute men. After their recent annual meeting for the election of officers, it appeared that out of eight possible offices, the M. I. T. held five. J. R. Freeman, '76, is president; Professor Swain, '77, is first vice president; S. E. Tinkham, '73, is secretary; H. T. Bryant, '87, is librarian; and Fred Brooks, a former Institute man, is one of the two directors. All were students in the civil engineering course.

A scheme has lately been perfected by which a party of Technology instructors and students are to visit Chicago by steamer during the month of June. It is as follows:

By the original plan, the trip was to be made entirely by water; starting from Boston in the stanch and speedy steamer which has been secured for the trip, it would take the party around Cape Cod to New York, thence up the Hudson and entering the Erie Canal at Albany proceed to Buffalo and so on to Chicago by way of the Great Lakes, returning over the same route.

This arrangement has been modified somewhat, as it would occupy more time than some of the party could conveniently give to it, and besides it has been thought that one trip through the Erie Canal would be sufficient, as progress would necessarily be rather slow in the canal on account of the restrictions placed on the speed of steamers passing through.

Therefore the plan finally agreed upon is to proceed from Boston to Buffalo by rail and there board the steamer for the sail along the shores of Lake Erie, making short stops at Cleveland and Detroit, thence up Lake Huron through the beautiful scenery of the Straits of Mackinaw and down Lake Michigan to Chicago where anchorage will be secured directly off Lincoln Park.