We do not propose to repeat the old-time assertion that our finances have prevented more elaborate attempts to please, for it would as usual be disbelieved. Every cent that comes to The Tech is expended on it, yet we are credited with being a money-making organization, so of course we are. Ah, would that belief might remove mountains, for in this case a load would immediately be removed from us.

The weekly Tech has brought us much more care and trouble than its predecessor caused, yet we have not begrudged it. We regret our many shortcomings, and would willingly repair our mistakes were that possible. But we have finished our work, have done our best, and must take the consequences. To those who have shown a warm interest in our welfare, who have given us an occasional word of encouragement, to our subscribers and contributors, and above all to the Faculty who have aided us in many ways, in short to each one of our friends, we extend the heartiest of thanks. And now,—a pleasant and profitable vacation to all!

Vacation is fast approaching, and but for the intervening fortnight of examinations, it would indeed seem right upon us. With the summer come thoughts of improvements in our facilities and methods. In one direction in particular The Tech would like to point out opportunity for advancement; that is, in the shops. As has already been shown by one of our correspondents of a few weeks past, the students in shop work often receive but a meagre explanation at best concerning the methods to be pursued in completing a certain piece of work, and even that is rendered well-nigh useless by inability to hear it. The course in shop work here is not intended to fit us to be carpenters or machinists, but it is supposed to illustrate the best methods of procedure, and the handiest way to use tools, though we may not become expert in applying this knowledge. Now it seems to us that there is not enough attention paid to individual instruction in the manipulation of tools, especially in carpentry. We have seen a man use a chisel as if it were a penknife, and the instructor present did not attempt to correct him. Beyond this, some means of making each person, the short man as well as the tall man, hear the explanation would be worth the attention of those in charge. Technology allows comparatively little time in the shops, but we hope soon to see that little time used to the very best advantage.

One improvement we sincerely hope to find completed in the fall is that which was mentioned several weeks ago in The Tech. We refer to the plan submitted to increase the facilities for the delivery of the mail at the cage and the convenience in handling it. The expense would be insignificant compared with the greater comfort and ease that would result in sorting the mail. Men could see much more readily whether any letters were in the rack for them, and Miss Bassett would be saved many steps and much annoyance.

In no way, perhaps, could '93 show their interest in Technology as young alumni more than by subscribing to The Tech for next year. Our mailing arrangements will be improved, and a prompt delivery may be assured. Those students who desire may have their Techs left at the cage, or sent to their addresses without extra charge. Subscriptions may be left with any of the editors at any time, and receipts will be given. We hope '93 especially will take this opportunity to keep in touch with Technology.

Now another "Technique" Board is about to begin its duties, or at least to contemplate them. As usual some men are on it who have given but slight proof of their ability, still chance may be to blame for that,