not so clear that the frivolities of college life would benefit the technical student. Finally, it is better for the technical student to be by himself than to be where he is distinguished by his stained fingers and laboratory clothes,—to be where he is respected, than where snobbishness makes odious comparisons.

The Society of Arts.

The first semimonthly meeting of the Society of Arts was held Thursday evening, October 12th. The following gentlemen were elected members of the Society: Mr. W. B. Snow, Mr. W. A. Johnston, Mr. F. A. Wilson, Mr. J. I. Solomon, and Mr. E. O. Woodward. Of these five men the first four are graduates of the Institute.

After the election of members, an amendment to the by-laws was adopted, reducing the annual assessment from five to three dollars; this amount also to include subscription to the Technology Quarterly, published by the Society.

The following papers were next read, by title: "The Experimental Hydraulic Laboratory of the M. I. T.," by Prof. Dwight Porter; "Methods and Results Obtained in Making Germicide Efficiency Tests of a Disinfectant for Railway Sanitation," by Prof. W. T. Sedgwick; "Experiments on the Excursion of a Telephone Diaphragm," by Prof. Charles R. Cross and Mr. Henry Phillips. Professor Lanza then read a paper on "Engineering Education," in which he outlined the studies necessary and desirable for the best training of students in Engineering.

The Technology Quarterly, with its printed papers, including a paper on college athletics by President Walker, will appear about November 1st.

It is highly desirable that graduates should identify themselves with the Society in order to benefit Technology by the advantages of a working alumni which might thus be formed. Students at the Institute will find the Technology Quarterly instructive and useful.

The Freshman Class need a blackboard. A class assessment will bring it.

Try for the prize offered by The Tech for original verse. You are a born poet.

The Mining library has completed its sets of "Stahl und Eisen" and of "Thonindustrie-Zeitung."

There will be a meeting of the Class of '96 in Room 11, Rogers, on Saturday, October 21st, at 12 M.

The annual election of officers for the Junior class occurs to-day, Thursday, at 1 P. M. Every member should attend.

All those who play the mandolin and are interested in forming a club, should address Box 221, Cage, in regard to the matter.

The weather is fine, the roads dry and hard, yet few bicycles are seen about Tech doors. The bicycle club needs rejuvenating.

The Freshmen would do well to look into XIII., the new course. As yet it is hardly crowded. From the Juniors it takes only six men.

Mr. H. E. Davis was elected a member of the artistic staff of "Technique." The election of the third member was deferred until a later date.

The Junior chemical eleven is open for engagements. Several dates have already been arranged, but the teams are not yet ready for publication.

Mr. H. K. Turner, '95, sailed last week for Europe, where he will spend a year in travel with friends. He expects to resume his work in Tech next year.