present the Clubs are hardly up to the standard of previous years.

This state of affairs can hardly be said to be a fault of management, for those in charge have given an unusual amount of time to the work, and have been untiring in their efforts to better the condition of the organizations; it seems to be due to a lack of feeling of individual responsibility among the members. There are many new men in the Clubs this year who apparently are not sufficiently impressed with the fact that a greater amount of thorough and conscientious work is necessary in order to maintain the excellent record of the past.

While we realize that the additional amount of time which should be devoted to training can be ill afforded, we feel that if given, the members would be amply repaid both by the good results which would certainly follow, and the hearty support they would receive from the college.

Technological has always been noted for the large number of college graduates who seek her out for the purpose of putting a finishing touch to their education, and this year shows a substantial increase in the number. Nothing could indicate more than this the esteem in which the Institute is held, and the fact that so many men, and women too, with degrees from colleges of the highest standing in the country are glad to come here for a year or two should make us appreciate more fully our own privileges in being able to follow out the whole four years of careful training.

Another encouraging instance of the benefits which may be derived from even a short special course at Technology has recently come to our notice. Through the knowledge of drawing gained in his freshman year, a former student at the Institute was able to prepare upon request, a very creditable set of plans for the arrangement of seats in a large theater recently constructed in this city.

WE wonder how many fourth-year men could repeat off-hand any of the names of famous men graven on the frieze of Rogers. Not many probably of those who have spent perhaps some thousand hours within its walls. And if the names were read, would they convey much meaning? We fear that Rumford and Smeaton carry but vague ideas of time and place to most of us. A course in the History of Science might prove of great interest, and fill a long-felt want if it could be given to all the men in some class instead of only in certain courses as at present.

The advance of business houses into Boylston Street is rapidly changing the character of the surroundings of the Institute. Many of our professors can remember when the land on which our buildings now stand was reclaimed from the Atlantic, and Rogers seemed on the outskirts of the city. Now, however the district between Park Square and Berkeley Street, especially on account of the construction of the Subway, bids fair to become a great commercial center. The removal of the Institute to Brookline or elsewhere is spoken of by some as a possibility. Much would be gained, in space, in fresh air, and pleasant surroundings, but great inconvenience must doubtless result to those living in suburban towns about Boston. One thing is certain: under such conditions the dormitory system would come into being and a great increase in unity and loyalty might be expected.

Fashion.

In olden time,
Long years ago
Most all the woe,
In crowded throng and purses long,
Was caused by hoop skirts' un-Conformity.

In modern times,
How queer! 'tis sleeves
That man's soul grieves,
And leaves a bare exchequer where,
Less Fashion's fancies, would
A plenty be.
—Brunonian.