THE new year opens for Technology with great promise in many directions. The Technology Club is an assured success, and the bond between the alumni and the Institute is strengthening hourly. In Athletics we have an unusually cheerful outlook. The Annual is in good hands; and many of our comatose societies show glimmering signs of life. The Tech extends good wishes for the realization of these hopes to all its friends, new and old.

The Editors of The Tech will spare no efforts to hold up their end of Institute affairs. They have been greatly encouraged by the interest manifested by the new men who have appeared as aspirants for the Board, but would like still more candidates to try their hands. Financially, the paper has labored under heavy difficulties for some years. The subscription list, both among alumni and undergraduates, promises to be larger this year than before. If a really generous response continues the Board hopes to hand on a lighter burden than that which it has received.

Technology as a whole, and the Junior Class and the Editorial Boards of The Tech and "Technique" in particular, sustained a peculiar loss in the death of William Montague Hall last June. He was a man of rare abilities, with a quick mind and great administrative powers, as was shown in his management of the affairs of his class for two years. Everyone who knew him loved him for his kindly disposition and unfailing cheerfulness. Young as he was, his character will live on as an example in the lives of all who knew him. The Editors of The Tech extend their heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family, outside of which no one feels the loss more keenly than they do themselves.

Unusually bright, if managed properly, are Technology’s prospects for a good Track Athletic Team this year. Besides the two or three good men added each fall by the incoming freshman Class, we lose none of our ’96 ’varsity men. In order to turn out a winning team, however, those to whom the management is intrusted should go at the thing as though they meant business. Last year’s team was loosely managed right through, in the financial as well as the athletic department, and to this fact was largely due the fiasco at Worcester. The newly elected Manager and Captain are not of this lethargic sort, however. Captain Grosvenor has called out all men who intend trying for the team this fall, and will hold a meet in two or three weeks on Irvington Oval, primarily for the development of new material. Every man who has any taste whatever for Track