The Sophomores have completed the course in Electricity and begun the study of Optics.

First Freshman: "Have you been over to the roller skating rink yet?"
Second Freshman: "Naw, that sort of skating doesn't cut any ice."

Professor Despradelles says that many of the Junior designs now on exhibition in the Architectural Building, would obtain the mentions in the Ecole des Beaux Arts at Paris. Why shouldn't they!

Edward North, 1900, will describe some experiences in a French school at the meeting of L'Avenir to-morrow. All men interested, and especially members of the lower classes, are urged to attend. The meeting is in Room 23 Walker, at 4.15.

The fifth lecture on Photography was given on Tuesday, March 16, at 4.15, in Room 22 Walker Building, by Mr. Derr of the Physical Department. The four preceding ones dealt with the subject from the standpoint of Optics. This one, as well as two or three to follow, deals with the Chemistry of Photography. Later lectures will deal with the various printing processes, the making of slides, and the use of the lantern. The course is particularly valuable to upper classmen in the Engineering courses.

The next meeting of the Electrical Engineering Society will be held on Friday evening, March 19th. Professor Puffer, of the Electrical Engineering Department, will deliver an experimental lecture on "Alternate Current Phenomena," with the object of presenting in tangible form the laws with which the students are familiar from a theoretical standpoint. The lecture will be thoroughly illustrated and will be very interesting and instructive to all, especially to the Senior members of the society.

A Members' Reception was held at the Y. M. C. A. Student House, 466 Massachusetts Avenue, on Thursday evening, March 11th, at 7.30 o'clock. Alexander McKenzie, D.D., was the guest of the evening. Mr. I. O. Whiting, Mr. Arthur S. Johnson, and Secretary Mahaffy of the City Association, several Technology Alumni and about forty-five members of the Technology Association were present. The early part of the evening was spent in social intercourse. A short informal address, full of suggestion for Y. M. C. A. work, was given by Dr. McKenzie. Later refreshments were served.

Tuesday evening, March 9, at the Brunswick, one hundred and fifty members and guests were present at the fifteenth annual dinner of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers. After a bountiful repast Professor Swain, President of the Society, introduced Mr. Wm. R. Hutton, one of the Vice Presidents of the American Society of Civil Engineers. Mr. Hutton spoke of the relation between Civil, Mechanical, and Electrical Engineers. President Mendenhall of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute spoke at length on the education of engineers, and advocated a high degree of precision in all engineering work. He considers Electrical Engineering the most perfect type, for in this case the science of the profession preceded the art. President Clark, of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R., complimented very highly the integrity of civil engineers. Remarks were also made by Mr. W. B. de las Casas, Chairman of the Metropolitan Park Commission, by Mr. Emil Swensson, of Pittsburg, and by Mr. Karl E. Hilgaro, of St. Paul.