the ball, tackling and catching punts, so that when Tech. plays Exeter on October 6th every man should be in good condition, barring accidents. It is sincerely hoped that every undergraduate who has ever played football and can spare the time will don a suit and try for the team. If such be the case, there is no reason why a strong team should not be expected for the coming games.

The latest addition to the courses offered by the Institute is the course in Electro-Chemistry. This course has been devised to meet the requirements of the rapidly growing electro-chemical industries, which demand a thorough knowledge of electricity; electrical testing; electrical engineering in so far as applied to machinery employed in electro-chemical pursuits; the chemical processes involved, as well as the theory of electro-chemistry and its application to the industries.

That the Institute is well prepared to give the proper instruction is shown by the new and complete facilities of the laboratories in all departments of the course. The new option will go into effect for second-year students at the beginning of the school year, 1900-1901, and for the third and fourth years, in 1901 and 1902, respectively.

We would call the attention of our readers to the announcement of The Tech for the year, appearing on another page of this issue.

The Board extends its heartiest thanks to the members of the faculty for their kind assistance in making possible the series of articles to appear in these columns during 1900-1901.

President Pritchett's Address.

Huntington Hall was almost crowded on last Wednesday at one o'clock when President-Elect, Henry Smith Pritchett, addressed the new students. The Freshmen, however, were almost outnumbered by the old fellows, who had come to hear the first formal words of our new Executive. President Pritchett was most enthusiastically received. He spoke as follows:

"It is to me a great pleasure to meet you at the beginning of this school year. With the most of you, I am myself a first-year man and I trust I may have your patient consideration in learning the ways and duties of the school.

"I am not here this morning to give formal advice. In fact, my experience is that formal advice is not apt to go very far. I remember in a German university that there was one man whose advice seemed to be treasured up by the students and he was one who said that it was impossible to work in summer because the distractions are too great.

"There are certain relations which we are to hold concerning which I should be glad to speak to you a moment.

"First of all, I take it that each of us here has come with a definite purpose and that each has a sufficiently definite path marked out so that his steps may lead somewhere.

"One of the considerations which drew me to the Institute was the belief that the training of engineers is one of the greatest callings in which one can engage. The trained man is coming more and more to govern the work of the world and this is, to my thinking, a most opportune time to engage in the study of engineering, for the opportunities of the engineers are to be, in the next quarter century, far greater than ever before.

"Another thing which influenced me in deciding to come to the Institute of Technology was the belief that in the student body