HE decision of the Faculty to make the Thanksgiving vacation of one day only, and to add two days to the Christmas vacation, will, we feel, commend itself to the majority of students. The summer vacation is long, and time is valuable, more valuable than most appreciate, during our working term. The three days which have usually been given to the Thanksgiving vacation make a break in the term at a time in which the majority of those whose homes are distant from Boston, are not so desirous of going home as at Christmas. Last year the giving of a week's vacation at Christmas was tried with evident success. It proved to be a popular institution with the students, and, we think, their work did not suffer in consequence. We trust that this arrangement will be permanent.

WITHIN a short time the student body will be asked to choose from a number of designs, one of which shall be adopted as the official Technology flag. Most colleges and technical schools have emblems of this sort, which are the adopted banners of those institutions. Up to the present time the Institute has possessed no such official emblem. There is obviously a need of one, and at times this need is almost a necessity. A recent example of the latter occurred when President Pritchett went to the bi-centennial exercises of Yale College. In his invitation it was requested that he bring with him the Institute flag, and fly it from his quarters in New Haven. It was almost essential that he should comply with the request, and yet it was impossible. To provide against future difficulties of this kind, the Institute Committee has taken this matter in charge, and, as previously stated, will post on the bulletin board in Rogers,