ABOUT this time each year THE TECH feels it necessary to give the reigning Sophomore class a little awakening prod in regard to Technique matters. The busy school year has slipped by quickly and quietly, and the class of 1904, only a few months away from Freshmanship on the one hand, finds it difficult to realize that it is only a couple of months from Juniorhood on the other. Hard as it is to realize, it is nevertheless true, and the coming election of the Technique Electoral Committee ought to bring the fact strongly to mind. If 1904 Technique is to be any kind of a success,—and of course the class wants it to be more so than ever before,—a personal interest must be taken and a personal effort made by all members of the class. It so happens that on account of the assessment voted at the class meeting last Wednesday, only a very small fraction of the class is at present qualified to vote. Every man should remove this disability as soon as possible, and then begin to look around, and to study the catalogue, so as to be able to vote intelligently. It should be borne in mind that the election is not for the Technique Board itself, but for an Electoral Committee that ought to consist of men of good judgment, earnest class loyalty and wide acquaintance. This last requisite usually follows from the method of election, but it should be remembered that wide acquaintance does not necessarily carry with it the other requisites. The coming election is one of the most important that the class will take part in during the whole undergraduate course, and THE TECH sincerely hopes that this first step looking towards Technique 1904 will be taken carefully, earnestly, and in the spirit which ensures success.

N another page may be found a statement by the Board of Editors of Technique, giving the reasons and necessity for raising the price of Technique 1903. For some time it has been growing more and more evident that our college annual could not continue its increase in size and its improvement in quality without the corresponding change in price; and although Tech men, like the rest of the world, rather object to those innovations which touch them in that weak spot,—the pocketbook,—still we feel sure that in this case all will have the common sense to see that the change is prompted by the real and actual necessities of the publication and not by any desire for ease or profit on the part of the editors.