exercise? Technology is in the city. If you try to exercise in the open streets, the police are hot on your trail. If you want exercise in the Gym, you immediately run up against the gymnastic classes, or the athletes have the floor, or basket-ball holds sway. It's "Less noise, please," or "Track! track!" It's ten men to one hot shower, two men to a lower locker, and the various other peculiarities of our Gym already mentioned.

Our graduates have all been taught the "elements" of French and German and Political Economy; how many know even the first principles of physical development? Behold the Tabular View! "Physical Training at the Gymnasium 4-6 p.m., except Saturday,"—provided you don't have lectures or recitations or Lab. work.

Everyday life demands that we have sound, strong bodies to meet its requirements. Freedom from the petty ills of existence, a strong mind and a happy life demand the trained physique. The demand for a department of physical training is pressing upon Technology. The sooner it comes the better.

Now, in spite of our poor Gym, those who have endured the conditions can tell of its helpfulness. As years come and go, the value of regular and systematic work along the general line of physical training becomes more and more evident. Daily exercise alone can insure an active mind and healthy body. Least of all can it be dispensed with when exams. are upon us and our best efforts are required. If you can't get out into open country, the Gym is not too bad—let it help you through the more difficult times.

Technology is fortunate indeed to have an instructor in gymnastics who is not only keenly alive to the needs of the students, but who also has unbounded enthusiasm for the work, and is most eminently qualified to bring about the best results, but he is greatly handicapped by the lack of adequate facilities in the way of a gymnasium.

A STUDENT.

Chemical Society Smoker.

The first smoker of the new Chemical Society was at the Tech Union last Thursday evening. Dr. Moore opened the program with an instructive address on the radio-electric properties of some of the metals. Light refreshments were then served, to be followed by Dr. Walker's talk. Dr. Walker began with some very valuable advice as to the conducting of future meetings, and ended with a description of the method of obtaining patents especially as applied to the patenting of chemical processes. Then, at Dr. Walker's suggestion, the members closed the evening with an hour spent in singing the old and new songs.

Basket-Ball Team.

A meeting of those interested in basket-ball was held Tuesday, Jan. 6, at 21 Rogers. It was voted to begin practice the following Saturday at four, and it is expected that during some evening of each week the gymnasium will be devoted to basket-ball. Goldthwaite, '05, was elected manager to succeed Doyle, '04. Captain Libby has back this year Goldthwaite, Keen, Webster and Schonthal, and, if his men have a chance to get in systematic practice, should produce a very good team. The fact that the gymnasium can only be had Saturday after four and evenings is a great handicap, and if a winning team is turned out great credit will be due to its captain and members.

Civil Engineering Society Smoke-talk.

The Tech Union was occupied on Friday evening by about eighty members of the Civil Engineering Society and their guests. These included professors and instructors of the department of Civil Engineering, of the department of Architecture, students of the Architectural Course, Dean Burton, Dr. Fay and others.

A Smoke-talk was delivered by Mr. Edward M. Wheelwright on the subject of "Bridges—An Architect's Point of View."

Refreshments were served after the talk, and there was some singing around the piano. The Smoker finally broke up at about eleven o'clock.