"YOUR PETITION HAS NOT BEEN GRANTED."

ALTHOUGH the petition to the Senior Class to have the final examinations in the fourth year abolished met with defeat, still the effort was not entirely in vain, for probably it has been somewhat instrumental in the omission of certain examinations which have previously been given at this time of the year, and in the shortening of others. The petition was refused not on the ground of the inadvisability of discontinuing these final examinations, but because the matter is too late to be considered this year, as the courses had been planned and the work and marks graded, with the understanding that the conditions would be as usual.

The petition was made by the Senior Class only, but nevertheless expressed the general opinion of the undergraduates; so we hope the Faculty will consider this, and next year take some seasonable action on the matter.

The students, on their part, should remember that the Institute has an excellent reputation for turning out competent men, and that the diplomas have a corresponding value. It is the duty of the Faculty to guard these and to take no action which will depreciate either, so that whatever decision is finally reached will undoubtedly be best for both the Institute and the students.

"A WORD TO THE WISE."

WE sincerely regret that in our last issue the supply was not equal to the demand. We estimated the cash sales would be double what they averaged during the month preceding the Junior Week issue, but the estimate was too low. We feel, however, the blame lies not with The Tech, but with the large number of students who buy copies only now and then. It is almost impossible to predict what the cash sales will be for any number. The policy is to try to have the supply slightly in excess of the demand, but, as the cost of each paper considerably exceeds five cents, the Board cannot afford to greatly overestimate that demand. The remedy for these shortages lies in increasing the proportion of subscribers, and we hope that next year every one will take advantage of the large discount which will be offered to subscribers.