

OUR CANDIDATES.

IT is encouraging to note the response from the students to our call for candidates. Last Monday, copy was received from the largest bunch of candidates which THE TECH has had for years. This is the sort of thing which makes it a pleasure to conduct a college paper. In the bunch were men from all the classes, and there were but three or four whose work would not have been used at other times; as it was, much work was crowded out by the intensity of competition. While of necessity much work had to be discarded, not a man should feel that anything has been decided for or against him, and not one should think that there is not room for another to crowd past him by superior work. We are doing everything in our power to make this contest a fair one, embracing every man who has any ability and work in him. When we have seventy-five instead of thirty we will ask for no more. We have not yet found the men we want to occupy the six vacancies on the literary staff; they may be among the present candidates and they may be future ones. But it is again the old story of "the best man wins." Who the best man is, time and work will tell.

The Freshman Dinner.

The record for numbers was again broken at the Tech Union on Wednesday, Oct. 14, when two hundred Freshmen sat down to dinner, while nearly a hundred were turned away for lack of room. The largest previous number ever entertained at the Union was one hundred and ten. The spirit of the gathering was in proportion to its numbers and the general opinion seemed to be that '07 would hold the Freshman-Sophomore cup for at least a year.

Formal proceedings were inaugurated by the introduction of Norman Lombard (Junior member of the House Committee) as chair-

man of the evening. The Freshman-Sophomore cup was then filled with good old New England cider and passed around the tables. As each man rose to drink to the Goddess of Goodfellowship, he gave his name, class and home. Men from great distances received the greatest applause, the welcome given to one man from Russia amounting to almost an ovation.

To vary the monotony of this proceeding, as the cup reached certain of the men they were called on for remarks. G. B. Perkins, '05, spoke on THE TECH and *Technique*. He urged all men not intent on becoming grinds to cultivate some outside interest and he particularly recommended THE TECH as a broadening influence for certain reasons which he stated. As to *Technique*, '05, Mr. Perkins said that each man would be personally interviewed as to what work he could do for the college annual to help maintain it in its present position at the head of the college annuals of the country. The outline of a new scheme for rewarding the best workers by prominent mention in the book was also submitted.

E. B. Hill, '05, was the second speaker, his subject being Athletics. He very pointedly showed the men the futility of attempting to make a football team out of thirty men, and stated that at least fifty men were needed to make any showing at all against the Sophomores. He also called attention to some of the snares and pitfalls to be avoided in cup-winning.

R. A. Wentworth, '04, gave a finished and well connected exposition of Tech Show work. He called attention to the large number of Freshmen always in the Show and to the advisability of getting into it early in the college course. He pointed out that the Show took only such part of a man's time as would ordinarily be wasted and that studies would fare better as a result of the little diversion. He also made announcement of a new plan