on their own performing. Most of these letter to whom I am referring are Seniors and Juniors, too. More Shame!!!

However, as the undergraduates are so bashful that they do not show their faces before the public, Mr. Seth R. Humphries, President of the Technology Club, has kindly agreed to fill in the breach, and those who attend the sure to pass a pleasant evening.

TECH CLUB SMOKER.

Professor Morse of Salem Speaks on Mars.

The first smoke talk of the year was given at the Technology Club last evening by Professor Edward S. Morse, Director of the Peabody Museum at Salem, and was greatly enjoyed by the thirty men present. Professor Morse’s subject was Mars, and proved to be most interesting. He recalled principally his observations made while in Arizona with Professor Lowell, and outlined the methods employed for making observations and recording what has been seen.

He said that at first when one begins to look through the telescope it is impossible to see anything but the vast round ball, in appearance something like the moon, but of the color of molten gold. That after several evenings of concentrated study one can detect long lines which take shape and then disappear. These lines are recorded in circles placed in sheets of paper, and several evenings’ observation have revealed the same lines, the existence of a channel or a canal, which these lines are supposed to represent, becomes a fairly well established fact.

He stated that he was assured that the canals or channels were artificial, not necessarily the work of man as we know him, but of some ancient creature who very probably was of a higher type physically than the inhabitants of the earth.

For thinking this he gave several points which have been under discussion—among them (1) the fact that the canals appear to start from the first smoke vape of the year, having spent practically all of his time since graduation in 1892. Professor Spofford is widely known in engineering circles and has wide experience both in these lines and in teaching such students. He appears to be a very popular one with all of the students, and those who know him feel sure that he is the right man for the place.

Professor Spofford is to be especially congratulated in reaching such a high goal only eighteen years after his graduation from the Institute. Also from the fact that he is taking his charge of the best equipped and the greatest civil engineering course in the country.

The student body has been obliged to call off the Hook due to a lack of sufficient number of essential instruments, and some fellows being brought on by various colleges which are now making plans for the coming civil engineering course in the country.

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