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Has the calendar got ahead of time, or has winter been delayed by the storms on the ocean?

THE TECH has three vacant positions on the the Business Staff and for the purpose of filling them will start a competition at once. Any undergraduate at Technology is eligible, but the Freshmen are especially urged to enter the competition. No experience is required, and the man who shows himself to be a hard, consistent worker will be elected to the Staff. The work itself is light, and more than pays for the time spent on it by the experience a man gets in meeting the business men of the city. The Freshmen are especially urged to come out for the Staff as the experience gained on THE TECH will be a valuable asset in a man's favor when the elections for *Technique '09* are being held. The Business Manager can be seen at the News Bureau today from 8.30 to 9 A.M., and from 1.10 to 1.30 P.M.

"The chief engineer of one of the largest and best managed street railway systems in the country said the other day: 'I will not have men who have not had a college training at the head of any department. I endeavor also to have as their assistants men with a technical training. While these men cannot be held in the organization long because there is little room for advancement, yet their higher average intelligence makes it worth while to have them.'

"This frank statement of the value of a technical training is refreshing. The young men who come to this road have no experience in the work they undertake and have little concrete knowledge to apply to the particular tasks they are set to. They are valuable not because of what they know, but because they have learned to reason from cause to effect and conscientiously to apply a rule for experimentation laid down by Sir Francis Bacon some two hundred years ago—to vary one condition in order to discover its effect in the final result. They have been taught to think."

The above editorial appeared not long ago in one of the engineering journals, and has led us to wonder if the Institute does really teach us to think, or if it so overloads us with

work that we are all like one student who remarked; "Really, I do not have time to think; I do my problems and then I go to bed for a few minutes before breakfast."

It is undoubtedly true that the Institute keeps a man busy, and that many a student, who is honestly interested in his work, is prevented from studying it with that thoroughness which he personally would like. Moreover the opinion that the students are being overworked is not confined to the undergraduate body alone; alumni have expressed their opinion on this subject more than once and some members of the faculty are beginning to realize this. Professor Clifford in his last report said in part:

"The conclusions reached are that a radical simplification is most desirable, in fact is absolutely necessary, since the students are working under pressure on too many subjects. The time for the digestion and assimilation of what is presented to them and for clear and careful thinking must be very considerably increased." Professor Chandler wants to extend the architectural course over five years of work before granting a degree.

In spite of the growing sentiment in favor of such changes, no perceptible changes have yet been made. Such modifications of the various courses must be slow, and we can only hope that the future will give us more time for thought.

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