

ing community, where they were addressed for a short time by Gov. Pattison, who heartily congratulated the college on the wonderful improvements which had been effected since his first visit a number of years ago. At 2.30 the batallion was formed in the Armory and inspected by the Governor, and then for a short time drilled in the manual of aims and the setting up drills, in accordance with the new tactics. Later in the afternoon his Excellency left for Bellefonte.

The students, in the course in Advanced Chemistry, have organized themselves under the name of the Lavoisier Chemical Society, for the purpose of discussing papers on subjects of interest to chemists. The meetings of the new organization are held every Monday evening, at seven o'clock, in the Chemical Laboratory. The following officers were elected at the first meeting of the society which was held on Feb. 8th: E. J. Haley, President; Chas. Eachus, '92, Vice President; W. P. Smiley, '93, Secretary and Treasurer; Charles Atherton, E. J. Haley and Chas. Eachus, Executive Committee.

The following is the standing of the Triangle Whist Club up to date:

Mr. Downing,	.	.	.	.	80.
Prof. Reber,	.	.	.	.	75.
Mr. Butz,	.	.	.	.	75.
Read,	.	.	.	.	73.
Hile,	.	.	.	.	70.
Mr. Holter,	.	.	.	.	70.
Small,	.	.	.	.	67.
Mr. Haley,	.	.	.	.	63.
Loyd,	.	.	.	.	59.
Brown,	.	.	.	.	51.
Herr,	.	.	.	.	47.
Prof. Jackson,	.	.	.	.	40.

COMMUNICATIONS.

MR. EDITOR:

From reports given in your paper during the past session it appears that nearly all interest in the Engineering Society has ceased and that the

Journal of the Society was not published because there were not enough members to "prepare sufficient matter for the issue." In an article in your November number the following in reference to the society is found: "For several years everything worked smoothly, and it was decided by all its members to be a source of much benefit. Last year the interest commenced to lag, and this year, when the College has more technical students than ever before, the society has less members."

At first, I beg leave to state briefly that the meaning of the above question is somewhat in error, and as far as accounting for the present state of affairs, is misleading. Last year was but the second year of the society, which a reader unacquainted with the fact, could not infer from the first sentence of the quotation. Also, the last year was not a less prosperous one for the society than the previous year; for although owing to known causes, the membership was not so large, yet the interest among the members for the work of the society did not lag. The programs of the meetings were well carried out, and I think that the papers published in the *Journal* will show that no pains were spared to make the productions creditable to the Society. During last year two issues of the *Journal* were published by the society, the latter one of which was of increased volume, besides paying for the issue published the year before (which was the first issue ever published by the society); and information is received that but twenty dollars stood against the society at the beginning of the present college year.

In view of such facts and the present surroundings of the College, it seems that something must be wrong. An examination of the College Catalogue reveals that thirty-six engineering students are enrolled in the present Senior and Junior classes, all of whom are eligible to membership in the society. The College authorities have always given their support to the society in as many ways as were possible; and we are sure they would be only too willing to continue this support. The