

The Yale observatory has an income of \$1000 from Connecticut railroads for furnishing them with the official time.

James Russell Lowell is to fill the new lectureship in poetry at Johns Hopkins for the present year.

Harvard has withdrawn from the Inter-collegiate Foot-ball League. Her action is receiving much unfavorable comment.

Prof. Rowland, of Johns Hopkins, is the third American to be elected a member of the Royal Scientific Society of London.

The University of Michigan has done away with the marking system, and has abolished all prize competition and class honors.

Hereafter Amherst men must make up conditions before the first Saturday of the Fall term or be rated as specials in the catalogue.

President Gates, of Rutgers, is investigating the recent cane rush and is determined to put a stop to such practices and punish the offenders.

President Garfield's sons, Irwin and Abram are both players on the Freshman foot-ball eleven at Williams. One of them was a substitute and played against Yale a few weeks ago.

The next meeting of the New England college presidents will be held at Middletown, with President Raymond, of Wesleyan, in the chair.

It is stated that one man in 5000 takes a college course in England; one in 615 in Scotland; one in 213 in Germany, and one in 2000 in the United States.

Harvard has elected a resident graduate as athletic treasurer to handle the large funds devoted to athletics. Harvard's athletic expenses were over \$30,000 last year.

Final examinations. Here they are in a nutshell: A final examination is the concentrated essence of trickery and malicious meanness, the bane of the honest worker, the hope of the habitual flunker.

EXCHANGES.

"In these days" of athletics, when so much depends upon the choice of a referee, we think some points given in an editorial in the *Dickinsonian* would be of great benefit in making a choice. In speaking of a remedy for the many evils now existing it says: "We would recommend that each college select a man of undoubted integrity and moral stamina to act as official referee. Let it be this officer's special care to acquaint himself thoroughly with the rules of the game and their interpretation in doubtful cases, as determined by previous decisions. If the official referee is carefully selected, and if he conscientiously applies himself to the duties of his office, there is no reason why a game should not be played with the greatest possible harmony and good will."

A TIP.

The Bible to all architects
Doth urge this wise command:
Go build your house upon the rocks,
And not upon the sand;
But
In building up a character,
Which shall withstand all shocks
Of life,—go build upon your "sand,"
And not upon your "rocks."

—*Yale Record*,

The *Hesperian* of Lincoln, Neb., comes to our sanctum for the first time. While the front cover is not so inviting as many of our exchanges, yet the inside matter is such a treat as to make up for this deficiency. The "Editorial Notes" and "Current Comment" are strongly written and to the point.

A PROPOSAL.

"Oh, Myrtle," he said, "I love you,—
With a bursting heart I love you,
Without you life to me is naught!
Oh! bid me not from thee depart,
Do not wound my aching heart,
Dearest, won't you share my lot?"

Then he listened for her answer,
Listened for her fateful answer.
From her troubled face, he bask'd
In the hope—yes, fondly hoped
Acceptance, when her lips she ope'd,
"What's it worth a foot?" she asked.

—*The Dartmouth*.

If I were a man—but I am not, and would not be if I could. I am well satisfied in being quite—*Otherwise*.