Architectural students may be interested in examining Rendle's patent system of glazing; and all lovers of ingenious mechanism will like to look at the machine for winding twine balls (using coiled wire belts), the Lockwood leather scouring machine, the Campbell and other sewing machines for making a lock stitch with waxed thread, etc.

The art galleries contain about six hundred pictures of all grades of merit and demerit. The most conspicuous picture is the large "Battle of Lexington," by A. H. Bicknell.

Music is furnished in the afternoon and evening by Reeves's American band of Providence.

In the evening the large hall, brilliantly lighted by electricity, presents a pretty sight. Four systems of lighting are employed,—the Edison, Weston, Maxim, and American,—making the finest display of electric lights ever seen in the United States. It is the first public exhibition which Mr. Edison has yet made of his system, with the exception of that at Paris.

Football.

Mr. Editor: The time has again come for fall sports, and the most prominent upon the list, and the one in which most interest centres, is foot-ball.

In nearly all our sports we find ourselves heavily handicapped in competition with other colleges; our spring term is too short for baseball, and we have no suitable practice ground; our opportunities for indoor athletics, never sufficient or satisfactory, are now entirely cut off for a time by the loss of the gymnasium; our tennis courts are demolished; and foot-ball remains as our only resource.

In our opportunities for practising and playing this most beneficial and exciting game, we stand more nearly on par with other colleges. We can have sufficient practice and a respectable practice ground. As our duties in the Institute are lighter than later in the year, we can afford more time for exercise. We have a large number of interested men from whom the team can be chosen, and we can find many college teams at no great distance with whom games can be arranged.

For some years there has been among us a growing interest in the game, and in the establishment of a representative Institute eleven which should be able to convince other colleges that in at least one branch of athletics the Institute can do herself credit. All our athletic performances, with the exception of the tug-of-war team's record, have been disappointing and disheartening; and if we intend ever to make a reputation for physical prowess, it is fully time to begin in earnest.

With pluck and perseverance there is no doubt that we can this year raise a foot-ball team which shall leave a satisfactory record. Let all who are in the least interested in the success of our eleven prove that interest and encourage the team by their presence on the practice ground and at regular games; not forgetting, when more substantial assistance is required, that an eleven which would produce good results must have a good backing and a firm pecuniary foundation.

Athletics.

The annual meeting of the M. I. T. A. C. for the election of officers of the club for the ensuing year took place Friday, Sept. 29.

The meeting was well attended, many Freshmen having accepted the invitation of the secretary to be present; and after adjournment the books were opened, and a good number of the new-comers were enrolled as members of the club.

The meeting was called to order by Leonard, '83, and proceeded to election of officers, with the following result:

Vice-President. — F. O. Harriman, '83.

Before the election of secretary and treasurer, an amendment was moved to the constitution to make these offices devolve upon two members instead of one, as was then constitutional;