The Freshmen held their first class meeting last week, in room 15, Rogers. It having been rumored that the Sophomores were to attend the meeting and attempt to break it up, the Freshmen secured a list of the members of their class from the secretary, and stationed a stalwart sergeant-at-arms at the door, armed with the check list. The big men of the class were appointed a committee to assist the sergeant-at-arms. About fifty Sophomores put into appearance, but as the Freshmen numbered two hundred, it was, perhaps, fortunate for the former that they did not succeed in entering the room. Score one for the Freshmen.

The total number of students at the Institute, this year, is 720, divided as follows:—

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| School of Mechanic Arts      | 57       |
| Lowell School of Design      | 60       |
| **Total**                    | 720      |

The great decrease in the size of the Freshman class, from that of last year, is due to the fact of the standard of admission having been raised. The number of applicants was greater, this year, than last.

Technique, the new Institute annual, to be published by the Junior class, will probably appear in December, before the Holidays. It is to be profusely illustrated, and is to contain a fund of information about the Institute, which cannot fail to be of interest to both alumni and undergraduates. The price will be fifty cents. The editors offer a prize of five dollars for the most satisfactory design for a cover, competition being open to all students of the Institute. The editors of Technique are: F. P. Gulliver, editor-in-chief, Quintard Peters, T. W. Sprague, Guy Kirkham, F. M. Wakefield, W. J. Barnes, and Solomon Sturges. Business manager, H. C. Spaulding.

The College World.

**Harvard.**—Seven hundred and forty members take their meals at Memorial Hall, which is taxed to its utmost capacity. There also seems to be a lack of dormitory room at the college this year. The "Annex" has lately moved into new and more commodious quarters. —Prof. Agassiz has been offered the position of Superintendent of the Coast Survey, but has declined.—A Chair of Journalism has been recently established at Harvard, and is to be filled by J. B. McCollogh, editor of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.—James Russell Lowell has resumed his connections with the college this year, having charge of courses in Spanish and Italian. —The recent destructive "rush" made by the Sophomores upon the Freshmen, resulting in the breaking of chairs and settees and lasting for nearly an hour, seems to show that the custom of "rushing" at Harvard has not become quite extinct.

**Yale.**—A young woman has entered the Senior class of the Yale Law School. She is the first woman to enter any of the departments other than the Art School. A course in electrical engineering has been inaugurated this year in the Sheffield Scientific School.—The Freshman class numbers 134. —President Porter, who is revising Webster's Dictionary, has already made considerable progress upon the work.—At the regular fall races last Wednesday, the eight-oared two miles straightaway, between the Juniors and Sophomores, was won by the former.

**In general.**—Sophomores both at Brown and at Dartmouth have voted to allow the Freshmen to carry canes.—Dartmouth is to have a new paper, known as The Stylus, a monthly, whose first number will appear next month.—Johns Hopkins is having a new physical laboratory and observatory built, at an expense of $100,000. —Among the great Americans, who have expended their youthful talent in editing college papers, are the poets, Holmes and Willis; the statesmen, Everett and Evarts;