NOTES FROM OTHER COLLEGES.

A locomotive boiler of the water-tube type has recently been patented by Cornelius Vanderbilt.

In Greater New York at present there are in process of construction engineering works of an estimated finished cost of $500,000,000.

Two turbine ocean liners have been built in England. One has already made a trip across the Atlantic, and was completely successful.

After five years the government dry dock at the Boston Navy Yard has been completed. It is all of stonework and measures 78 by 114 feet, and is 30 feet deep.

In San Francisco the number of Chinese telephone subscribers has become so great that a special exchange has been established with Chinese switchboard operators.

The New England Interscholastic Athletic Association will hold its Annual Meet at the Harvard Stadium, on June 3.

Three important conventions of technical societies soon to be held are: American Society of Mechanical Engineers, June 6 to 8, in Scranton, Pa.; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, June 10 to 20, at Asheville, N.C.; American Society of Civil Engineers, June 20 to 28, at Cleveland, O.

Fearing that the idea of Standard Oil might be suggested, the University of Chicago has determined to bar the conventional lamp of knowledge from the design for a University seal.

TECHNICAL SCHOOLS.

The latest report of the Department of Labor upon Technical Education in the United States is to the effect that, in general, technical and trade schools are far inferior to those of Europe. Lack of government aid is one cause assigned for this; the governments and states have contributed largely to agricultural schools, but technical and trade schools have been almost entirely the result of private initiative and support.

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