

ORIGINAL HARVARD HISTORY.

The Manuscript Included in Coming Sale of Prof. Peirce's Library.

The valuable private library of Prof. James Mills Peirce of Harvard University will be sold at Libble's in Boston on May 25-26. One of its many interesting items is the original manuscript history of Harvard by the late Benjamin Peirce, librarian of the University. The history extends from Harvard's foundation, in the year 1636, to the period of the American Revolution. It is a small folio of several hundred pages.

Other notable items are Edward Everett's oration on the battle of Bunker Hill, a presentation copy from Everett to Prof. Peirce, with autograph inscription; presentation copies to Prof. and Mrs. Peirce by Oliver Wendell Holmes of his "Urania, a Rhymed Lesson;" "Introductory Lecture" delivered at the Massachusetts Medical College Nov. 3, 1847, and "The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table;" first edition of Dr. Samuel Johnson's Dictionary; "Pecms on Slavery" and "Kavanaugh," by Henry W. Longfellow, presentation copies, with autograph inscriptions by the author; first edition of James Russell Lowell's class poem, Cambridge, 1838, presentation copy, with inscription, "Prof. Peirce, with the Respects of the Author;" and presentation copies from Charles Sumner of his "Fame and Glory," an address before the literary societies of Amherst College, Aug. 11, 1847; "Law of Human Progress," an oration before the Phi Beta Kappa Society of Union College, July 25, 1848, and "War System of the Commonwealth of Nations," an address before the American Peace Society, Boston, May 18, 1849.