years' standing remains unpaid. In the light of these facts we hope that Treasurer Lawrence will receive the hearty support of the class in his efforts to clear the debt.

On Saturday night the annual indoor games of the Boston Athletic Association will be held in Mechanics' Hall. This meet will be of great interest to Tech. men, as the relay team runs against Dartmouth, and there are a number of other Tech. entries. Through the kindness of Manager Graham, section G, on the floor, has been reserved for Tech. It is hoped that this section will be completely filled with an enthusiastic crowd of Technology men.

Several other colleges and organizations have sections by themselves, and they can be depended upon to do some lusty yelling for their favorites, but we hope that the good old Technology yell will be second to none in its sharpness and strength.

The reception and luncheon given by the Corporation and Faculty during the recent vacation to superintendents and principals of schools should prove of great material advantage to the Institute in the future.

As President Crafts pointed out in his address, the best engineers or scientists are developed from men having natural ability for scientific or technological work. While, as a rule, the men who come here are fitted more or less by natural ability for scientific work, there are frequent instances of men who, if not complete failures in this direction, show a decided ability for mercantile or literary pursuits.

It is usually in the preparatory school that the student decides upon his future course of study, whether it is to be scientific or general.

By giving the teachers a more definite idea of what our work is and what kind of men we desire, much may be done toward helping students to select a vocation, and ultimately to exert a beneficial influence on the character of the work done here and on the efficiency and ability of the men graduated.

A Reception for Superintendents and Principals of Preparatory Schools.

During the mid-year recess a reception was given by the Corporation and Faculty to superintendents of schools and principals or masters of high schools and academies sending students to the Institute from points within easy reach of Boston.

Three hundred or more were invited, but owing to the inclement weather in the early morning many were unable to come. Representatives of the Corporation and Faculty received the guests in the Margaret Cheney room, a substantial luncheon was served by Mrs. King in Room II, Pierce, and formal addresses were made by President Crafts and Professor Chandler in Room II, Engineering Building, B. The President welcomed the visitors in a pleasant speech, in the course of which he urged them to send to us, as far as possible, men having real aptitude for technological and scientific work. He pointed out the fact that the great demand of the time is for highly skilled, expert service, which can be developed best and most easily from material having natural fitness or aptitude for such work.

Professor Chandler followed with an address, illustrated by stereopticon, on "Some Features in the Architecture of Schoolhouses." Examples were shown of the work of Mr. Edmund Wheelwright, Mr. C. Howard Walker, and Messrs. Peabody and Stearns.

Afterwards the Pierce Building was exhibited, much interest being shown in its construction and facilities for technological instruction.