The Annual B. A. A. Handicap Games.

The annual handicap games of the Boston Athletic Association were held on Saturday, Feb. 8. Tech entered fourteen men and placed thirteen in final heats, capturing in all seven medals. J. W. Crowell and W. A. Clark took second and third places in the finals of the novice 40-yard dash; and in the 40-yard handicap heats were won by Clark, Winchester and Crowell. R. P. Nichols took third place in the 600-yard run. The relay race was practically won in the first relay by Avery. Nutter of Bowdoin made a game struggle in the last relay, but Captain Baker was able to keep the lead with easy running. Tech had a scratch man entered in the 1,000-yard and a 10-yard man in the 600, but was unable to run them as they were to take part in the relay race. This seems very unfortunate, as these men would undoubtedly have won other places.

Every credit for this good showing should be given to Coach Mahan, whose work made the result possible. It is hoped that Mr. Mahan will be with the track team through the months of March, April and May.

On Friday, Feb. 14, at 1.15 p.m., a mass meeting will be held in Huntington Hall in the interests of track athletics. Dr. Pritchett will speak, and it is hoped that every one will be present.

Aptness of the Filipinos.

President Pritchett of the Institute of Technology, who was formerly superintendent of the United States Coast Survey, has an active interest in the outcome of the experiment which the United States is making in the Philippines and elsewhere. As superintendent of the Coast Survey he undertook the experiment of having some of the native Filipinos instructed in draughting and surveying, to see whether they could be taught to do creditable work. The following extract from a letter just received from one of the draughtsmen in the Philippines would seem to indicate that the natives are capable of learning the mechanical part of the work of draughting and surveying.

"You doubtless remember that you instructed me to go to Manila and train some native draughtsmen to draw charts, and then devise some method of publishing them promptly. I thought that you might be pleased to see to what extent your instructions have been complied with, so I am sending you by this mail, under separate cover, the first two charts we published, and the last two. The entire work of the latter was done by the Filipinos, and we succeeded in publishing a chart in just one week after the data was received."

Book Review.


We wish to acknowledge the receipt of a copy of "Songs of the Eastern Colleges." The book, which is compiled by R. A. Atkinson of Harvard and Ernest Carter of Princeton, includes a collection of not only all of the typical songs, but also of the most popular songs belonging specially to the different Eastern colleges. The preface contains the following: "All the world loves the college student, and under no circumstances is he more amiable or more provocative of contagious geniality than when he sings his college songs." Technology is represented by but one song, and this has but little merit. This, however, is no fault of the compilers, as no real representative Technology song has ever been written. The book is got up quite attractively, and would add to any college man's room. The publishers' advertisement can be found on another page of this issue.