P. J. Clapp started from scratch in the handicap cross country race held in West Roxbury Saturday afternoon, and ran such a remarkable race that he finished first and also made the best time, within fifty-five seconds of the record.

D. A. Adams, '06, who also started scratch, and G. H. Ruggles, '06, who had a handicap of two minutes, gave up their chances of winning by stopping to help G. H. Buckingham, who had sprained his ankle. Buckingham was not entered in the race and was only running over the course for the pleasure.

The race was a most successful one. The runners were very enthusiastic and worked hard. The second man finished a minute and thirty-six seconds after the winner, and the others finished irregularly, two or three miles behind.

The last man finished about twenty minutes after the winner.

The times of the first three men, regardless of handicap, were: Clapp, '06, 47 min.; Tompson, '07, 50 min.; 24 sec.; and Howard, '06, 50 min., 20 sec.

Choice of Course Lectures.

Following a custom established several years ago, the heads of the various courses held a series of talks to the Freshman class on the work of the different departments, beginning next Wednesday afternoon.

The purpose of these talks is to help the men in choosing the line of study which they will follow during the next four or five years, and to give them a better understanding of the work which lies before them. The talks will continue each Wednesday at the same time and place until the last man finished about twenty minutes after the winner.

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SOPHOMORES HELD MEETING.

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CLAPP, '06, WINS RACE.

Mr. W. P. Gerhard addressed a meeting about sixty men on "Some Water Supply Problems."

Mr. Gerhard had a number of very interesting pictures of the Ger- man water supply projects, some of which he showed at the St. Louis Exposition. He told about many of the filter and sewage apparatus, and also about a plant which he set up for Senator Platt of New York. Mr. Adams talked for about an hour, his experiences making the lecture a very interesting one.

BASKET BALL SCHEDULE.

Team Hard at Work Preparing for Long Series of Games.

The basket ball team has started to work in earnest. H. C. Blake, Manager, and Manager O. S. Lyon, '08, have charge of the team; and Blake, Westbrook and Wiggins of last year's team are giving their services as coaches.

Last year's men who are out for the team this year are Burleigh, '06; Coezy, '06, and Mathewson, '06, who were varsity men, and Belcher, '08; Gregory, '08; Lyon, '08, and Leavitt, '08, were second men. Altogether twenty-five men are out.

The first game is to be played Wednesday evening, and the team practiced hard every evening last week, in order to overcome the handicap of starting so late. The men are rapidly rounding into condition and will probably be ready for a hard game when the whistle will sound. They are ready and the management with a large crowd present at the dedicatory game will vary with Boston University, and the second team Everett High.

This week, the regular schedule is as follows: Dec. 6, Boston University at Tech; Dec. 11, Tufts at Tech; Dec. 14, Tufts at Tufts; Dec. 16, W. Lowell; Dartmouth at Holy Cross at Holy Cross; Jan. 6, Williams at Williams; Feb. 6, Boston University at Boston University; Feb. 10, Worcester Polytechnic at Worcester; Feb. 13, Syracuse at Tech; Feb. 17, Brown at Tech; Feb. 20, Worcester Polytechnic at Tech; Feb. 23, Harvard at Harvard; Feb. 27, Holy Cross at Tech; March 5, Dartmouth at Dartmouth; March 8, Dartmouth at Tech.

LOWELL INSTITUTE LECTURES.

Mr. St. Clair Baddeley, of Painwick, Eng., concluded his series of lectures on "Ancient Rome in the Light of Recent Discoveries," before an audience of 150 people in Huntington Hall last Wednesday evening. On Friday evening, Mr. H. Moore Stevens, M. A., delivered the second lecture of his series on "The Enlightened Despotism of the Eighteenth Century in taking as his immediate subject "Frederick the Great of Prussia."

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