

Of Local Interest.

The season of greatest activity and of most intense excitement is again with us; we hear nothing on all sides but "foot-ball." The games that are played on the gridiron on Saturday are played over a thousand times in conversation during the following week. This is as it should be. It is, indeed, agreeable to note the enthusiasm that prevails. But then again there is the fear that the subject of foot-ball may become so absorbingly interesting as to steal our minds from the real purpose of our presence here. It is to be hoped that this is not actually so. A student can best prove his attachment to athletics, and to football in particular, by redoubling his efforts in the class-room during these few months and thus explode the theory, which seems to obtain in some quarters, that athletics and class progress cannot join hands.

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The students' retreat which opened on Sunday, 6th inst., and closed the following Thursday, was conducted by Rev. Fr. Shaffer, O.F.M., English Secretary to Mgr. Falconio, and Rev. Fr. Valiquet, O. M. I., of Mont-

real. To both of the Rev. Fathers the students offer their sincerest thanks.

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After a month of the happiest of college life, it was not at all surprising that the students of the senior department were so deeply grieved to lose Rev. Fr. Beaupré as their prefect. In the short time that he was with the boys he endeared himself to them to an extent reached but by few of his predecessors. Rev. Fr. Lambert who is succeeding Fr. Beaupré, will, no doubt, accord the same manly treatment as did the outgoing prefect.

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We are pleased to note that the first installment of those long promised books for the senior library has at last arrived. The choice shows admirable taste in the rev. gentleman who has the affair in charge. We trust that the second installment will reach us before Christmas, at least.

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The University Choir under Rev. Bro. McGurty's direction, is covering itself with praise.