

ATHLETICS.

The great Queen's vs. Ottawa College football match is still the subject of much comment in the university and secular press. The *Red and Blue* from the University of Pennsylvania, referring to a recent note in the OWL, says:

Ottawa College, which has won the Canadian championship, wishes to meet the United States champions. They say that they are not afraid of any fifteen that ever played foot-ball. We are afraid that the many differences between our game and theirs would make a match very unfair to one side or the other, though we wish Pennsylvania's eleven could get a chance to meet the Dominion Champions.

and the *Toronto Week* in its review of the Rugby Foot-ball season has the following:

The Homeric struggle at Rosedale, between the Ontario and the Quebec champions for the Canadian cup, formed the season's climax and conclusion.

Fortune favored Queen's, who was practically unopposed in the early ties, and was thus enabled to arrange practice games as she wished and to reserve her strength for the final round. Many connoisseurs of foot-ball thought that if Varsity had had similar advantages the results of the year would have been materially different. Varsity certainly had developed a strong team by the end of the season. The combination work showed in the match against Trinity was, perhaps, the prettiest scene on a foot-ball field this year. It is a pity that she did not have the opportunity of trying conclusions with Queen's, Hamilton or Ottawa College. A match with any one of these clubs would have been a boon for non-military Toronto on Thanksgiving Day.

But lovers of true sport will also find much to deplore in the foot-ball of the past season. There has been a falling off in that brilliant, scientific play that used to give the spectators so much delight, and there has been a corresponding increase in intentional rough play and interference. The latter state of things is, perhaps, the cause of the former, and both may be traced to the culpable leniency of this year's umpires and referees. It was a shame that the Queen's team were allowed to continue their bullying tactics against Ottawa College. Ottawa College has, in the past, had a reputation for rough play but they are to be congratulated upon the good, clean and hard foot-ball they exhibited at Rosedale.

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The hockey season is now in full blast. The college team is scheduled in the series of the Junior Hockey Association with three other teams. No one of them should prove very formidable opponents for our players. The College club would

probably enjoy more student sympathy and claim more attention, had its members shown the same large generosity towards the student's rink that they exhibited in favor of the enterprise of an outsider. So far as the general student body is concerned, the hockey team of this year, in the arrangement of its practices and matches, might as truly be said to represent the University of Timbuctoo as the University of Ottawa.

No organization anywhere has a greater claim on the gratitude and loyal support of its members than the Athletic Association of the University of Ottawa. The annual fee is a paltry \$1.00 and for that amount the association furnishes its members with everything necessary for the various games, provides the players with their complete playing outfit and pays every cent of the travelling expenses, besides going to much trouble and cost in order to have the largest possible number of games on the home grounds. Our position gains by contrast. We have read of a champion foot-ball team having to wear the muddy, water-soaked suits in which its second fifteen had just played a hard match; nowhere save at Ottawa are the complete suits furnished from the common fund; and in very few institutions do the players have their entire travelling expenses paid by their club. In this respect the following clipping from the *McGill Fortnightly* is instructive. It refers to the open skating rink on the McGill College grounds:—

"The fee for students having paid the tax of \$2.00 for the use of the Grounds is to be \$1.00; for those partial students who have not paid the \$2.00 tax, the fee will be \$3.00. It is proposed also to admit graduates to the privileges of the rink for the \$3.00 fee."

PRIORUM TEMPORUM FLORES.

The students of the university as well as all readers of the OWL will be pleased to hear that amongst our graduates who are pursuing their theological studies at the Grand Seminary of Montreal, Messrs. J. J. Meagher, I. A. French and H. J. Canning, all of the class of '93, received minor orders, Mr. D. A. McMil-