

SPORTS.

HOCKEY.

After a three days' trip through the Province our hockey players returned to us, well and strong. Although they secured no victories, we are proud of them. We all know the disadvantages a team has when playing in strange places. The first game, which was played in Truro, was won by the Truro boys; the score standing 1 to 0. Our boys claim that the referee was hard on them. He dealt severely with hard checking—a proceeding which has no precedent in Hockey—on College side and allowed the Truro seven to indulge in it to their heart's content. Surely the Truro boys are made of sterner stuff and can give and take like men. They should remember that Hockey is not croquet.

The second game was played in Wolfville. There, our boys lined up against the seven of Acadia College. The boys played a splendid game but were not yet up to their work. Our famous little centre player was unable to take part in the game, owing to illness. This also weakened the St. F. X. boys considerably. Four to one in favour of Acadia was the result, one of the goals being scored by our own goal-keeper. During their short stay at Wolfville the boys made many friends. Mr. Crandall, captain of Acadia's team, paid every attention possible to them. He has put all of us under obligations to him by his courtesousness to our Hockey players.

A drive of nine miles from Wolfville brought our boys into the pretty little town of Canning. For four years the Canning boys had defeated all-comers. They played a draw on the 30th inst.—and the team who fought them so pluckily represented St. F. X. College. All were certain that the boys would suffer severe defeat. The Canning boys were champions of Annapolis Valley. When the score card read 4-4 we knew that our boys had at last played the Hockey we had expected from them.

When the team returned to St. F. X. it appeared that there was "nothing too good for the Canning boys." The excellent treatment our boys received, the interest displayed by the spectators who cheered lustily every good play they made, is still the chief topic of conversation. If the Canning boys failed to win the game they did not fail to win a host of friends and admirers.

The Hockey season is now at an end. Our players have gained valuable experience which we hope they will profit by when snow and ice are with us once again.

There is a rumour afloat which says that Base Ball is rubbing its eyes.