

Our backs were sound, Connah excelling in judgment and clean kicking. The half back line, generally, gave a good account of itself and supported the forwards admirably. Our front line played brilliantly at times and was never throughout the game mediocre. The play of Miller at outside right was a treat and Cameron in the pivotal position was responsible more than any other for the downfall of the visitors. Taken all round, we have a really good team here and one which ought to do credit to the E. T. D. They are however not yet seriously tested and in the event of a replay, will have to expect a harder hour and half ere they bring home again, the bacon. Mr. Ellis made an excellent referee, letting very little escape his vigilant eye. One has always to allow for an odd offside decision one way or another in football and neither side had any kick coming in this department.

It is pleasant to record that the sum of \$24.85 was collected by old Dobbin in aid of the Blue Cross fund. The horse entered into the spirit of his job most admirably and has cultivated a very realistic limp since last he acted as collector on behalf of his less fortunate fellows.

A big Boxing Tournament is in process of organisation and more will be said of this next week. We understand C.S.M. Escott, who may be relied upon as always serving up something good in this line, has charge of the arrangements, and before we let the cat out of the bag we feel we ought to give him a bit of an interview. Meanwhile so far as I know, I bid you look out for sparks flying in the vicinity of the City Hall, round about the middle of November.

We noticed a number of our boys out on the field kicking the oval leather around. There is no reason why we should not have some "Rugger" here. Mr. Bourget is the individual to go to for the purpose of organising. Get busy boys; the winter is coming when no man plays football outside.

With the winter coming on we will have to get some indoor games on the way. Volley Ball is one of the best of these and the Old Fort makes an admirable court for this game.

Of course we are to have some hockey this winter.

HAMPDEN.

OVERSEAS.

Overseas I want to go,
To these scenes of hell and woe,
Where the powers of Right and Greed
Battle hard.

Overseas, for Britain bleeds,
Her allies, too. Men she needs
To defeat that foe of foes—
Germany.

Overseas, may those who go,
'Scape the sea-wolves cowardly blow,
And bravely fight for their rights
Over there.

Overseas, where good men give
Ev'rything, that peace may live,
And the father of this strife
Be subdued.

Overseas, where envy, spite
And greed defile a throne. Right
In good time will crush those
foes
Of mankind.

Overseas, our prayers arise
Unto Thee, within the skies.
God of battles, give us soon
Victory!

Spr. H. G. MASTON.

IT REALLY HAPPENED!

A certain sapper wrote to the Old Country concerning his Last Will and Testament, and naturally gave his address as "C. E. T. D., St. Johns, P.Q., Canada".

The solicitors' clerk had never been beyond the sombre confines of Tottenham Court Road—probably—as a copy of the Will was last week received by the Sapper, carefully addressed to "Church of England Temperance Depot, St. Johns, Canada"!

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

(By our special War Correspondent.)

The German Offensive Against Italy.

While the Allied press is frankly admitting that the situation on the Italian front is very grave, "Knots and Lashings" takes a more sanguine view. It is only fair to add though that we are in possession of details denied to other newspapers. Our special correspondent cables us that the retirement of the Italians is strategic. Just when the Teutonic forces have arrived at a stage of exhaustion due to a quick advance, it is the intention of the higher command of the Italian army to issue a double ration of garlic to its soldiers. The Teutons breathing heavily will have no alternative but to inhale the vapourings of this garlic saturated army. It is left to the imagination of our readers to picture the result!

Should this scheme fail, the far-seeing Cadorna has yet another trump card. Spaghetti is to be scattered broadcast in front of the advancing enemy who will be only too eager to seize upon the opportunity to revictual his famished troops. It is the intention of the cunning Dago then to steal up unnoticed, and while the Hun is devouring the string food in the accepted fashion with head in the air, to cut his throat!

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