

books upon our leading points of Faith—books such as MacLear's Catechism, Browne on the Articles, Pearson on the Creed, Blunt and Paley, approved by all theologians of education and intelligence,—are placed as textbooks in the hands of students, upon which they are required to pass examinations. Every man when he goes out into the world should be able to give reasons for the hope that is in him, and to know enough about the Church and her doctrines to defend her against all "false doctrine, heresy and schism," which alas is not always the case in our laity.

In addition to the speeches mentioned above, the College Choral Club will probably sing a few selections, and tea, coffee and cake will be served in dining hall at 9 o'clock. The Provost has asked us to extend a cordial invitation to all graduates and the friends of the College should this number be out in time. Trinity's prospects are already brightening. Liberal support has been received upon all sides, and in nearly every case the appeal has met with generous response. The Endowment fund has now reached almost \$20,000, and we hope that enough may yet be subscribed so as to render it unnecessary to sacrifice our beautiful front.

FOOT-BALL

The season which has just closed reflects some credit upon our club, for, although we have only won one match, yet other clubs, which have far greater material to draw from, have been held in check and compelled to strain every nerve to the utmost with slight, if any, advantage. The Rugby Union game is essentially one of brute force. Fast running is certainly requisite, but unless the player has a good physique or great strength, his speed avails little, for he is stopped almost immediately. As a general thing there is too little kicking done in a match. Players seem to think more of making a brilliant dash with the ball than of taking advantage of opportunities which frequently present themselves of putting in a drop kick, which the forwards ought to follow up towards their opponents' goal. There was a series of brilliant kicks of this kind made during the Toronto University vs. McGill match, again, some men never "pass" the ball but prefer making themselves conspicuous by a short-lived dash and struggle to passing it back to some one who has a more open field before him. Unity alone is strength, and the fifteen must play together if they ever wish for success. Every man must be on the alert, and each player ought to be willing to sacrifice his own reputation somewhat for the good of his side. Activity is the principal feature of the game—ever moving, never still, especially amongst the forwards, upon whose endurance the issue mainly depends. No athletic sport can be more exciting to a spectator than a Rugby Union Game between well matched fifteens. To see one scrimmage, straining every nerve to out-push their opponents, and yet so much energy wasted, as it

were, for neither side moves. Then, by a Herculean effort, an inch is gained, only to be lost again with perhaps another. Again they press forward, only to meet an immovable resistance. Thus they sway from one side to the other and but little is gained by either, whilst all the time the eagle-eyed, nimble-footed quarter-backs are ready to pounce upon the ball if, by chance, it come out of the scrimmage, and often times they secure it without the knowledge of the scrimmagers and are off with it like a flash, whilst the struggling and straining goes on as if their very lives depended on it. And, again, some over-zealous player brings his body in contact with the ball and makes it "dead." Of course for a great length of time, this is incomprehensible to the rest; another stumbles and falls over him, making a capital seat for a third, and so on until there is an inexplicable tangle of legs, arms and bodies, struggling and writhing. A good "kick" is an invaluable man upon a team and a scarce commodity. On this account we think a knowledge of the Association manner of playing would benefit a Rugby player greatly, for he would learn to make more use of his feet. It cannot but be most discouraging for a side who have, with the utmost difficulty, obtained a touch-down to see it fail to score a goal merely on account of an unfortunate kick. Coldwell, in our last match with the Victorias, scored two goals—one by a beautiful drop whilst running at full speed, and the other by a well judged place against a high wind. The indiscriminate squabbling at a match detracts greatly from the enjoyment of the game, and difficult as it may be for a man whose blood is heated to avoid disputes yet the Referee's decision ought always to remain unquestioned, which is a noteworthy feature of Cricket Football like rowing is most successfully played when men train for it. Were Trinity men to pay a little more attention to the minor requirements of the game we feel confident in saying they would prove most formidable rivals of the first clubs in Canada, for they are plucky and play hard. We would like very much to have seen an inter-collegiate match this year between University College and Trinity, and such a match was arranged, we believe, but was prevented by snow.

It has been a dream of ours, but one which is not likely to be realized for many years, that Trinity College will send out her rowing crew to win aquatic renown. Why not? We are within ten minutes' walk of the lake where boat-houses could most easily be erected. All we want are men, money and energy. What a glorious thing it would be for the College could we send our four to compete with Yale or Harvard!

CRICKET.

This manly and essentially English game is one which ought to be encouraged in every college and school as well as in every Town and Village throughout the Country, not only as a healthy recreation, but also