

WE are in receipt of the following letter from Harvard University, which amply explains itself :--

Editor MCGILL FORTNIGHTLY :

DEAR SIR, —I feel it my duty to inform you that the hockey team from Cambridge, captained by W. E. Jewell, does not in any way represent Harvard University. We should consider it a great favor if you would make this fact known to the teams against whom this Cambridge team played.

Respectfully,

F. T. GOODRIDGE,

Capt. Harvard Team.

It is indeed unfortunate that this Cambridge team should have been heralded as a purely student team from Harvard. On all the posters announcing the match the words "Harvard vs. McGill" were used, and the general impression seemed to be that the match was an inter-collegiate one. While we do not think that this team should tour the country as representing Harvard, at the same time we must admire their pluck and enterprise in making such a long journey and in spending so much time and money in trying to acquire a fuller knowledge of the game, in order that they may the better establish it as a winter sport at Cambridge. One can hardly give any description of the match played in the Victoria Rink between this team and our own boys. The game was simply a lesson given by past masters in the art to beginners. Scientific hockey has yet to be played in Cambridge. "Lifting" is practically unknown with them; as one member of their team expressed it, "If our 'backs' could only 'throw' better, we would have more chance of winning." The Cambridge men, however, in a thoroughly sportsmanlike way, acknowledged their inferiority, and indeed said that they had come up to learn the game and to acquire experience against good players, and not with any idea of being able to win against us.

One has only to consider how difficult a thing it would be for McGill to send a baseball team down to Harvard and how proud we would be of ourselves, if we ever did do such a thing, to realise what pluck and spirit the Cambridge men have shown in coming up here.

Occasions such as this ought to be made the most of, as they serve to strengthen the feeling

of unity which ought to exist between university students, whatever their nationality.

We sincerely hope that the Cambridge team may leave Canada with only pleasant memories of their stay in these few *arpents de neige*.

THE students' organ of Queen's University takes us severely to task regarding certain statements made by us concerning the "Inter-collegiate Hockey Championship." We can only say in reply that our information was obtained from the officers of the "McGill Hockey Club," and was published in perfectly good faith. Whatever may be the right or wrong of this vexed question, we still say that McGill has enough hockey material to win the championship twenty times over, and that we think it very unfortunate that she has been unable to arrange a game with Queen's this year.

THE '98 Annual has at last made its appearance and a short review of some of its main features will be found farther on in our columns. There are very few men in the university, save and except those who have been personally engaged in the work, who realize the immense amount of labor, and thought and time which the editorial and business boards of the Annual have devoted to this new departure in our college life.

The *Annual* is, in our opinion, worthy of '98 and not only of '98, but of the whole University. It is a book in which every student may take a pardonable pride, and in which he may find pleasant souvenirs of almost every phase of his student life. Everybody realizes now that he wanted something of the sort, but didn't know exactly what. Ninety-eight have hit on the very thing and THE FORTNIGHTLY congratulates them on the energy with which they have carried out their scheme.

#### THE CLOUD.

A-groping ever, her white hand  
Sought for the stars, a shining band  
That shed a blessing o'er the land.

But, finding but the tempest's pain,  
She, driven from the even's fane,  
Fell to the thirsty fields in rain.