

COLLEGE SPORTS.

FOOTBALL—THE RUGBY MATCH AT DETROIT.

We take the following account of the match played at Detroit, between University College Football club (Rugby) and the club of the University of Michigan, from the *Chronicle*.

The first day of this month the *g. a. m.*, Kalamazoo accommodation, pulled out from our station with four cars cozily filled with students bound for Detroit to see the match at foot-ball between the Toronto eleven and our own team. The day was clear and bright, though a little cold, which seemed to stir the blood of the boys, causing them to open their mouths and pour forth their joy, like tuneful 'owl-eagles.' All the college songs were sung and resung, so that when the train reached Detroit it was a very husky lot of boys that formed a line and marched up to the *Free Press* office. At the *Free Press* office three rousing cheers and a University tiger were given to show that the boys can appreciate a friendly act, even though that act be only what justice or even common decency demands. The headquarters for the team were at the Brunswick house, and there the Toronto boys were found, to the number of about twenty. Every body was of course, glad to see everybody, and the morning was passed in getting acquainted! And just here we may say that a pleasant, more gentlemanly lot of fellows no one need ever wish to meet, than these same representatives of 'Canuckdom.' After a good dinner the teams donned their suits and were driven out to Recreation Park, where everything was in readiness for the game. The grounds could hardly have been bettered, short, firm turf, level as a floor, and not a stick or stone to turn the ankle. Toronto took the field, giving our boys the kick-off, and from the time DeTarr sent the ball flying toward their goal to the close of the game our team had the advantage, except once or twice, and then only for a few moments. Why this was, it is hard to say, for Toronto played a strong game, and in almost every individual point seemed to excel; Gwynne and Woodruff can hardly be equalled in running and dodging; it was all Chase could do to take care of the big-tailed Macdougall in the scrummages; while, when tackled, they have a sly way of passing the ball to a player behind them. They do not throw it, but hand it back, and in close play, owing to their familiarity with the Association game, they are quicker with their feet and work the ball ahead better. Some, too, noticeably H-Ineken, are tremendous kicks. Of our boys, DePay made the prettiest run of the game, though a claim of a foul, not his fault, lost it to him. Barmour, as usual did some neat dodging, while all the boys played with that bull-dog pluck and real grit which distinguishes them. This is seemingly the great reason of their success, that they never give up, and Capt. DeTarr has such perfect control of them and of himself that they never lose their head. They obey his slightest hint, and this is a great aid to victory. It was a particularly close and exciting game, and as the ball was carried backward and forward, some Toronto man were tackled and brought to the ground after a long run, our boys then taking the ball and forcing it back to their goal, the lookers on attested their interest by shouts and yells that would have graced a lot of Indiana. The excitement was especially intense when during the last few minutes of the game the ball was kept within a few feet of the Toronto line our boys trying to force it through or get a drop, for goal, then the crowd seemed determined to take a part in the play. But no goal was made, and when time was called it went up in a long hearty cheer for Toronto and Ann Arbor. Our boys seemed satisfied not to have lost, as well they may, considering their youth in Rugby and the high standing of Toronto among Canadian teams. Then, too, they hardly played their game, they did not make any of their famous kicks that might several times have given them a goal, and they did not run so well as usual. At the depot on their return,

they were welcomed by the Ann Arbor band and conducted to the court-house square. This was a most kindly act of courtesy, which was duly appreciated by all the team and their fellow students. Thanks were tendered by Captain DeTarr in behalf of those thus honored, and then all departed backward well pleased with the events of the day.

EXCHANGES.

The *College Argus*, from Wesleyan University, (Middleton, Conn.) is a well edited sheet. The editor in the last number, however, resorted to a very ancient editorial trick. The *Acta Columbiana* contained an article on 'The Jersey Girl' which to the Wesleyan editor was decidedly below the standard—that is, it was rather spacy, and so he set about finding a way by which he could copy it without incurring odium. He gave the *Acta* praise for its generally good reading matter, but there was one piece that was 'decidedly below the standard,' and that his readers might confirm him in his opinion he printed a long extract of the article in question—of course selecting the spiciest paragraphs. He wound up thus: 'Such writing is not worthy of the *Acta*.' We gallantly place on our exchange list *The Portfolio*, a monthly issued by the students of Wesleyan Female College, Hamilton. This is the second year of publication. *The Portfolio* has a financial editor on its staff, but we see no financial article in the number before us. But perhaps 'financial editor' means 'business manageress' among the young women of the W. F. C.

THE MUSEUM SPECIMENS.

Prof. Wright, on the occasion of his visit to Europe last summer, ordered from Naples a large collection of specimens illustrative of the Invertebrate Fauna of the Mediterranean. The cases containing these have arrived, and the professor and his students are unpacking and arranging them in the museum. The specimens are all in a good state of preservation, even the extremely delicate Jelly-fishes and Ascidians retaining their natural tints. The principal orders and families of the Invertebrata are well represented, especially the Crustacea and the Tunicata. A gigantic Squid is confined in a bottle which, though the largest to be had, is much too small to display the monster to advantage.

The students in Natural Science will find these acquisitions to the museum a valuable help in familiarizing themselves with the different forms of animal life; and they will, even if regarded as mere curiosities, well repay an examination by all.

THE CONVERSATION QUESTION.

In the last number of *THE WHITE AND BLUE* an article appeared suggesting to the Society and students the propriety of again reviving the conversation. The advantages of such an entertainment are neither few nor unimportant. Many might be alluded to which the article in last week's issue does not discuss; but they need no discussion, as they are patent to all. The great fact to be regretted is that our conversation ever ceased; and surely every student should feel it to be his duty to use his efforts to again start one of the leading features of college and society work into renewed existence. All must admit, with the previous writer, that this entertainment does much to bring the students and their work prominently and favorably before the citizens of Toronto. The Society may see fit to alter or increase the suggestions formerly made with regard to numbers admitted, but on the whole they cover the ground. One more remark. It is not those who take most interest in the Society that stand lowest on the class list, but often the reverse; for the *esprit* of the Society and its public meetings—as well as conversation—is to impart a tone of life and energy to their other work.

TORONTO SCHOOL OF MEDICINE.

The fifth regular meeting of the Literary and Debating Society of the School was held on Thursday evening, H. W. Atkins, B.A., the president, in the chair.

After a good deal of general business regarding the constitution, honorary members, public meetings, etc., the programme of the evening was gone through with. The first was an essay by P. H. Bryce, M.A., which was well received. Mr. G. H. Milne gave a reading from Byron.

An interesting debate then followed, on the subject, 'Does the present curriculum of Toronto University advance the best interests of medical education in connection with Toronto School of Medicine and the University?' The affirmative was sustained by Messrs. J. H. Duncan and W. E. Edmonson, and the negative by Messrs. J. Ferguson and H. Watt. The president ably summed up the arguments, after which he decided in favor of the affirmative.

The two schools medical propose withdrawing from the Football Association as separate teams and then re-entering as one to be called the 'Medical Team.' F.



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