One little College-course, quickly over,
One little job,—then for the clover!
One little wedding, the height of bliss,
One little honeymoon and that ends this..
"Adolescens."

Athletics.

HOCKEY—QUEEN'S 2, TORONTO 6.

THE University hockey team opened the season under a luckless star on Friday night, when they were beaten by the Toronto University seven by a score of 6-2. The game was played under conditions that put the fast and aggressive members of Queen's team at a hopeless disadvantage. On the whole, Toronto appeared to do slightly better than Queen's on the heavy ice. They were fortunate in shooting, moreover, two of their scores in the second period being due to long shots that were searcely labelled for the net. It was Queen's night in the shady side of fortune. The ice was little better than a barn floor for hockey and it was out of the question to attempt combination. Speed was at a discount. Time and again Dobson and George or Campbell would get under way for a rush only to find the rubber stuck in a heap of slush or a small lake of water. This took the heart out of the men on whom Queen's counted to test the Toronto defence. The Toronto forwards took the heavy ice better and took full advantage of their weight. In addition to the handicap imposed by bad ice, the team entered the game with Vernon Crawford ill and unable to play more than ten minutes. When he left the ice, Campbell went to centre and Basil George took his position on the wing.

Queen's further tried out in the game its new defence. The soundest judgment is that it made good. With careful coaching Gilbert, McKenzie and Trimble will do their share against any team. Gilbert showed good ability, while the point and cover-point were aggressive and always on the job. On fast ice the defence men would have had a bigger part in the game. Of the Toronto team the defence was the strongest part. They are husky men with a marked inclination to rough play. Code at cover needs some side-line suggestions at the hands of a strict referee. The Toronto forward line did not appear to have the speed of Queen's attacking division. They received good support from their defence. In the matter of shooting they showed superiority and to this fact is to be attributed the score. For Queen's, every man was on the job. The forwards couldn't get together on the soft ice and had no luck on long shots.

In spite of the bad ice, the game was fast, both teams using every effort to win. There was as much dash as in a game under most favorable conditions. But towards the end of the game both teams were somewhat dispirited. The score at half-time was 3-0 for Toronto. In the second period Queen's scored twice and Toronto three times. The last goal for Toronto bounced into the nets about four seconds before the end of the game. Like the two that went before it, it bordered on a fluke, hitting three sticks before bouncing from a Queen's player just over the line.