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The contests last spring gave a great impetus to the game. During the vacation a wall was built in the centre, and the full length of the alley. This makes a great improvement in the manner of playing on one side of the alley, but is very bothersome to those on the other. However the experts are becoming quite accustomed to the change.

The rule introduced this year, allowing the "heeling out" of the ball from the scrimmage, will. no doubt, render football more interesting to spectators than the old system of close "scrimmaging."

Hamilton has taken time by the forelock and we have had the pleasure of filing its challenge. The ambitious city hopes to wrest the cup from the champions.

The Montrealers have kindly invited us to play an exhibition game in the Metropolis at an early date, but we are not in a position to accept their invitation.

Come boys, wake up! Hard practice and lots of it is the only thing that will insure success. Reputations are all very well in their proper place, but that place is certainly not on the football field.

The Athletic Association is the source and support of all the sports in the College. Since its organization in the spring of '85 it has received the most liberal support that the students could possibly give, and this year the membership exceeds that of previous years. The students and those in college know full well how important are the duties of the Executive Committee of the Association, and outsiders may form an idea of the same from the fact that all sports carried on in the College with the exception of handball are subject to their jurisdiction. Hence the selection of that committee is a matter which deserves the serious consideration of all the members of the Association. On Thursday, Sept. 19th, the Annual meeting of the Association was held in the Recreation Hall. Nearly all the members together with the Rev. Director were present. The following is the result of the various elections: and Vice Pres.....F. L. French Recording Secretary...D. A. Campbell Corresponding Sec'y ... J. P. Smith Treasurer.....P. C. O'Brien Councillors | W. T. Mc Cauley | D. McDonald The above mentioned gentlemen in connection with the Rev. Director form the executive committee and will no doubt do all in their power to conduct successfully the sports of the coming year, and uphold the reputation of the Ottawa College Athletic Association.

A vote of thanks was then tendered the Rev. Father Forget for his painstaking efforts in behalf of the association during the past year. A similar vote was tendered also to Mr. M. F. Fallen the retiring president of the association and the manager of the football team of '88.

In recognition of their valuable services to the Association in past years the following gentlemen were unanimously chosen honorary members of the same:

M. F. Fallon, B. A. J. P. Donovan, B. A. D. R. McDonald, B. A. D. V. Phalen, B. A. E. I. Leonard, B. A.

F. M. Devine.

It is customary for the Executive to hold a meeting on the same day as the annual meeting, to select managers for the various departments and strike off the sub-committees, but this year it has been deferred to the 23rd inst.

When football season closes, and the weather confines us for the most part within the walls of the College, many a holiday hour is whiled away in perusing the various dailies, journals and pamphlets of the reading room; and not alone amusement, but also much instruction is derived therefrom. True, some confine themselves to baseball, others make a specialty of lacrosse, but there are others also well posted in the various questions of the day. Not a few there are who in "session" time can give you the details of every bill that has come before the House, what bill is to be introduced, and even go as far as to conjecture what will be votes thereon.

Last year, owing to the untiring efforts of the President Mr. J. P. Donovan, the reading room was conducted most successfully. On the evening of Thursday Sept. 19th, the members held a meeting for the election of officers for the ensuing year. Mr. Donovan, who visited us en route for Montreal, acted as president for the last time. The following gentleman were chosen as officers of the reading room. President......D. McDonald. Secretary......T. R. Curran,