

# THE ROUGH RIDERS WERE OUTCLASSED

## THE RESULT WAS A BLOW TO OTTAWA FANS.

Thousands of People Stood in Front of Newspaper Offices Watching Dummy Figures Playing the Game on a Wire Gridiron.

Ottawa, Nov. 29.—All Ottawa received a stunning blow on Saturday when news of the Varsity-Ottawa game was received. Ten thousand people stood out all afternoon at the Citizen and Journal offices watching dummy figures playing the game on a wire gridiron. Every play was recorded, but the crowd, although it was in high spirits at the commencement of the match, soon realized that it was all off with Ottawa, and hoping against hope, remained until the very last, every minute making the rout a more complete one.

Ottawa football people are dumfounded and are still trying to explain how it happened. Hundreds of Ottawa money was dropped as the result of Varsity's win, big odds being offered here. Some bets at even prices that Ottawa would double the score were made.

The Ottawa team returned yesterday morning, all the men but Kilt being in good shape. Kilt has a sprained ankle, and will be laid up for a few days. "Beaten at every turn" is the explanation of the Ottawa players in connection with their defeat. Tom Clancy states that it was brains, speed and new football against the old style, in which the modern game won a distinct victory. Clancy considers that the interprovincial teams must change their style in order to be in a class with the Varsity team.

He considers Lawson the greatest running half-back in Canada and Gall a close second, naming Gall, Williams and Lawson for his all-star team. Hal B. McGivern, Harvey Pulford, Dr. Nagle, Bert Stronach, Jack Williams, Dave Muligan and others all acknowledge the superiority of the Varsity team. "Had it on us at all stages and everywhere," is the popular expression of opinion. Hal McGivern states that Harry Griffith has developed the greatest team in the past twenty years. He considers that in proportion to their age, experience and weight, the Varsity wings and scrummers did marvelous work against the Ottawa line. All admit that Ottawa had an off day, but it is taken for granted locally that Varsity were too good to give Ottawa any chance to shine.

The defeat came as a shock after a great season, but all honor is conceded Varsity, the Ottawa sporting writers who were at the game make it plain in their papers that there was no comparison between the teams, and predict changes in eastern style of play as a result of the remarkable work by the Varsity youngsters.

Prominent football men had the following remarks to offer after the game: Coach Griffith, University of Toronto—"I don't think that there is a team in Canada capable of beating Varsity. We expected to win by a big margin, and were not disappointed. The work of the officials was faultlessly done."

Coach Clancy, Ottawa—"Varsity's great speed beat us. I knew that they were fast, but thought that our wings would stop them. Lawson's running and line plunging, Gall's good catching and punting and the brainy work of Captain Newton, supplemented by good team play, were too much for us."

Rev. A. F. "Biddy" Barr, Whitby—"Varsity has one of the best teams I ever saw. Lawson is wonderful and so is Stronach, but he was closely watched and had little chance to shine."

Jack Connell, former Varsity and Hamilton star—"There was nothing to it but Varsity. Their speed told the story early. Stronach is a great outside wing."

Harvey Pulford, Ottawa—"There is no chance for any argument. The better team won and did it handsomely. Ottawa were well beaten."

Peter Spanjaard, sporting editor Montreal Herald—"I never saw a faster or better all-round team than Varsity. They fully deserve the title which they so easily won."

None of the gentlemen spoken to considers Parkdale as dangerous contenders for the Dominion title.

### Basketball.

At Central Y. M. C. A. gymnasium on Saturday night two games were played in the 135-lb. League, and one in the 135-lb. League.

The first game, between Centenary and Central Methodist, resulted in a run-away for the latter in the first half, at which time the score was 12-2, but the Centenary took a spurt at the beginning of the next half, and it looked as if the Centrals were going to be held down, but they could not go the route, and Centrals rolled a couple more in and left the floor winners by a score of 18-4. Dan Webster put up a good game, but was replaced by Church.

The line-up: Centrals (18)—Ed. Smith, Hiestad, Clark, McNeilly, Webster.

Centenary (4)—John Hogarth, Roberts, C. Wattam, D. Wattam.

The second game, between Central Y. and First Methodist, was the fastest and most exciting game yet played in the League. The Y's were picked to win, but the unexpected happened when they were trimmed decisively. They did not have the combination of the First Methodist, nor was their shooting or checking

as good. They were outplayed in every department of the game. The game became very interesting after half-time, with the score 13-3 against them, the Y's made a desperate effort. Barclay shot two baskets, as did Wilson, bringing the total to 13-11, but they could not keep it up, and First Methodist gathered together, and Barnes, who was putting up a fine game at defence, popped a time one in from half-way, the nicest shot of the game, and Wally Lees came with another. This ended the scoring, leaving it 17-11.

The line-up: First Methodist (17)—Robinson, Zimmerman, Lees, Evans, Barnes.

Central Y. (11)—McCormack, Barclay, Stone, Webster, Wilson.

The last game was a farce, the Central Y. M. C. A. and East End Y. M. C. A. in the 125-lb. League played a weird exhibition of basketball. The C. Y's romped away with it. At half-time the score was 8-0, at full-time 22-4. Art Oliver showed some class for the C. Y's.

Fig—"Do you and your wife ever think alike?" Fog—"When I'm out late at the club we do. She keeps thinking what she'll say, and so do I."—Boston Transcript.

## COMMENT AND GOSSIP

The Ottawa Free Press will have some difficulty explaining Saturday's defeat. Perhaps the learned sporting editor of that paper will take an unprejudiced view for once and admit that the best team won.

Hamilton fans are delighted to hear that there is a chance that the Tigers will have a game with Varsity. The Tigers beat Ottawa just as badly on their own grounds as did Varsity, and on that dose a game in Philadelphia, which would be on neutral grounds in the vernacular would be "some game."

Although the Jungle Kings have been out of training for over a week, the rest would do them good, and it is pretty good betting that given one chance to redeem themselves they would make good.

Varsity got away with a lot of tries on Saturday that they would never be able to work against the Tigers.

McDonald, who captained the St. Patrick's baseball team, will likely be found again this year on the line up of the Brantford professional hockey team. Cap. is recognized as one of the best cover-points in the business, and Roy Brown, who will manage the Brantfords, is on his trail with a contract.

Sing a song of gold bricks. Hundred thousand meg. Offered by the con man.

The gambler and the regg. When the hide are opened. The fakirs fade away. Leaving Jimmy Coffroy. The right to stage the fray.

Sam Langford slipped one over on Mike Schreck Tuesday night after

## 'VARSITY' OUTPLAYED "BIG FOUR" CHAMPIONS.

Over 10,000 Persons Saw Semi-Final For the Rugby Championship of Canada at Rosedale on Saturday.

This Year's Team Is the Best That Has Ever Represented the University of Toronto—Casey Baldwin's Famous Team Never Played a Better Game Than Did the Collegians on Saturday—Score Was 31 to 7.

SUMMARY.	
First Quarter.	
Varsity.	Ottawa.
Touchdown . . . . . 5	
Con. touch . . . . . 1	
Second Quarter.	
Varsity . . . . . 1	
Touchdown . . . . . 5	
Con. touch . . . . . 1	
Third Quarter.	
Varsity . . . . . 1	
Con. touch . . . . . 6	
Fourth Quarter.	
Varsity . . . . . 1	
Con. touch . . . . . 6	
Touchdown . . . . . 5	
Con. touch . . . . . 1	
31	7

Casey Baldwin's famous 1905 team never played a better game than that put up by the Varsity fourteen on Saturday at Rosedale against the Rough Riders for the championship of Canada.

As they lined up on Saturday the university team is about 100 per cent. stronger than the Ottawa aggregation. They outclassed the Rough Riders in every department of the game, and showed marvellous speed in following up and recovering. A contingent of about one hundred and fifty Hamiltonians saw the game, and the majority of them were of the opinion that even the mighty Tigers would have to be at their best and play one of their hardest games to hold the students down to a smug score. Playing like they did here three weeks ago, when they defeated the Rough Riders by a score of 30 to 5, the Tigers would be about good enough to beat Varsity. In any other form they would not have a chance.

Saturday's game showed very clearly that the Ottawa back division, with the exception of Williams, is not good enough to catch a place on a first class intermediate team. They fumbled everything that came their way, and were not so fortunate in recovering it as they were in the game with the Tigers a week ago. However, the Varsity wings followed up much faster than did those of the Tigers, and they were not given so much time to get away.

The Rough Riders did not play the game that they did against the Tigers a week ago, but had they done so it is doubtful if they would have won out against the speedy collegians. They played football right from the start, and with the exception of a short period in the third quarter were always threatening the Ottawa line. Although Stronach played a good game he was not as brilliant as he was a week ago, missing many tackles and not getting down the field as fast. Williams played a poor losing game, and his much touted football brains were not in evidence. He was absolutely powerless to pull the team together, and after the first quarter they played as though the game was lost.

The Varsity back division is about the best in Canada. Lawson has few peers as a running half back, and although it was expected that he would fumble on Saturday, he caught everything that came his way, and tore off some spectacular 30 and 35-yard runs. Gall also starred, and Dixon, the Hamilton boy, played a grand game. He was sure with his hands, and was as fast as a streak, seeming to be in the thick of the play at all times. Newton played his position well, and showed good judgment in handling the team.

The Varsity wing line played the Ottawa line to a standstill, but they have no men who can compare with Wigle as line plungers, nor are any of their line men as good at tackling as Bob Iabester. Gage, a Hamilton man, who played left outside, marking Stronach, put up a good game, but he is not in the same class with Don Lyon, when the latter is playing his game. Varsity has not better wingmen than Barron, Gray and Bramer, and although they have a great wing line, it is no better than that of the Tigers.

While the score of 31 to 7 is a fair indication of the play on Saturday's game, it cannot be said that the Rough Riders played the game they are capable of. Like the Tigers the week previous, they seemed to lack energy and played in listless fashion.

Varsity is a very tricky team, and some of their puzlers are old Tiger tricks. Plays the Jungle Kings used so successfully in the O. R. F. U. were pulled off on Saturday for good gains. The long pass, an old favorite of the Tigers, nettled the students a try on one occasion.

The Collegians are strong on team work, and back one another up remarkably well. Very few of their fumbles or mistakes were costly, and they were very quick at gathering in loose balls. They took advantage of every mistake made by the Senators, and it was their fast following up that was largely responsible for the victory. It was in this department that the Tigers fell down a week ago.

One of the largest crowds that ever saw a football game in Canada, was on hand, it being estimated that there were over 10,000 persons out. The official figures were 9,500, and a good five hundred got in over and through the fence. The bleachers at the west end of the field were filled by Varsity students, and they gave a great exhibition of what the combined lungs of two thousand young men can do in the way of rooting. In the east end of the grand stand proper were about five hundred Ottawa supporters, but after play had been going about two minutes and Varsity gone over for the first try, the bunch from the capital were remarkably quiet. Even the most energetic efforts of the redoubtable Rufus Ryan did not suffice to wake them up. Truly it was a sad and disappointed bunch that hung around the Prince George on Saturday night.

The question that now arises is, "Can Varsity beat Tigers?" Some of the critics give an emphatic yes, others are doubtful, and some are of the opinion that in shape and with all their men on, the Tigers are the better team. There is only one way to settle this question, and that is to have the teams play an exhibition game. Unfortunately the football season is past and there is little likelihood of a game being arranged. On their own grounds the Jungle Kings defeated the Rough Riders as badly as did Varsity, and working on this basis the Tigers should be every bit as good as the Collegians.

The shining lights on the Varsity back division are Lawson, Gall and Dixon. These three played a remarkable game on Saturday and are about as good as any three back line men in Canada. Dixon is hardly as good as George Smith, but plays a steady consistent game, and is always on the ball. Lawson has little on Art Moore as a running half back, but his weight enables him to buck the line effectively. Gall is not as good a doling runner as Dutch Burton, but is a good punter. At centre there is no comparison between Newton and Ben Simpson. The Varsity captain is not as good a punter, nor as fast a runner as the schoolmaster. Not taking any one game in particular, but taking the season's form into consideration, a comparison between the back divisions of the Tigers and Varsity shows little in favor of either side.

Coach Clancy and his team, together with the members of the Ottawa Excelsiors, had not an excuse to offer, and their attitude after the contest was most sportsmanlike. Clancy admitted that his men were beaten by a better team, and stated that while his back field worked quite to his satisfaction, the wing line did not do as well as he had expected. That was perhaps because he had underestimated the Varsity line, which held admirably and exhibited speed which staggered the Rough Riders. After the game the Ottawa bands serenaded the victors at the club house. When the final whistle blew, the Varsity rosters took possession of the field and executed a serpentine march, with flags and banners flying, and the Highlanders' Band. There were thousands in the parade, at the front of which was borne the big score board, bearing "Varsity 31, Ottawa 7." The scene of wild enthusiasm in and around the grounds and out across the Rosedale bridges beggars description. The student body continued their triumphant uproar downtown at night, but they were orderly, and the police had no trouble. Sixty officers

helped to preserve order at the field during the game.

The officials were: Referee—Dr. W. H. Hendry, Toronto. Umpire—W. McMaster, Montreal. Timekeepers—Dr. J. McCollum, Toronto; W. Harris, Toronto (first half); Father Stanton (second half). Penalty timekeeper—J. L. Counsel, Hamilton.

Linesmen—Harvey Pulford, Ottawa; Rev. A. F. Barr, Whitby. Touch-line judges—J. Slater, Queen's; M. Walsh, Queens.

Goal judges—W. May, Queen's; Ben Simpson, Hamilton.

### PUNTS.

The Varsity Glee Club occupied the whole of the new stand. The word "Toronto, '09," was spelled out by students in white sweaters ranged in order among their darker garmented fellows in this stand.

Every telegraph post and house roof in sight was black with spectators who were unable to gain admission to the grounds. Even the trees just south of the field were crowded with men.

The Varsity mascot, a large white bull dog, was bedecked with blue and white ribbons, with the word "Varsity" in big letters.

Red Dixon was a little too slippery for the famous Stronach. He missed him time and again while trying to tackle him.

The official estimate of the crowd was 9,500, and of the money, \$6,180.

After the game Capt. Jack Williams admitted freely that the Ottawa team was outclassed.

Stronach brought Lawson to the ground a good many times when it looked as though he would get away for one of his famous runs.

The Ottawa team was not a very joyful aggregation when it filed out of the club-house at half-time.

Ottawa money was not very much in evidence at the beginning of the second quarter, although there was plenty of it before the game began.

Bert Stronach put up a great game, but he was watched too closely to be as effective as in the Tiger game.

It was exactly three minutes from the kick-off that Lajoie went over for a try.

The way Red Dixon ran the ball out from behind the line through most of the Ottawa team was good to see.

The Ottawa Bugle Band didn't parade at half-time. They evidently feared the students' threat.

The trouble over the appointment of Dr. Hendry as referee was quickly settled Saturday morning, when President McKendrick phoned Mr. Mitchell that no change would be made.

The ticket speculators got a bad jolt when they expected to get \$5 apiece for their grand stand seats. Five dollars was asked at first, but the price came down until about 2 o'clock they were going at three for \$5.

Williams kicked all the way through the game. He questioned Referee Hendry on every play until that official's patience ceased. "Play the game," said Hendry, and stop your senseless kicking. "I am only doing what our executive ordered me to do," said Williams in reply.

To no one more than Coach Harry Griffith is Varsity's victory due. Undoubtedly one of the best football men in Canada, Griffith has no superior as a coach. With him it has been a labor of love. For three years he has given Varsity the benefit of his knowledge and experience when he could have been filling a similar position at a good salary with one of several teams.

## ANALYSIS OF THE OTTAWA-VARSITY GAME.

The game was late in starting. Varsity having won the toss, decided to kick west, although the sun was shining brightly, but the wind, what little there was of it, was with the students. When the teams took their places Referee Hendry blew his whistle and the struggle was on.

Ferguson kicked off. The ball was caught by Foulds, who returned into Ottawa territory to Williams. The Ottawa captain, after a short run, returned on a low punt to Gall, who fumbled but recovered in time to make a gain of 20 yards. On Varsity's first down Newton got the ball and ran around the end for a gain of 30 yards. Another 15 yards gained would mean a touchdown. The crowd was yelling madly. Lajoie took a pass from Foulds on the second down and accompanied by a great outburst from the Varsity fans dashed around the end and over the line for the first score of the game.

line, but the whistle saved the Easterners from routing.

Varsity was having all the better of the play at this period. Rankin and Kilt were put off for scrapping. Williams got the ball and passed to Gerard, who was brought down on the Ottawa quarter line. On the next down Williams kicked to Lawson. The big fellow went forward for a gain of 15 yards. Gall kicked high, the ball going over the touch line into Williams' arms. The Ottawa captain was brought down by Parks. Score: Ottawa 0, Varsity 6.

On the kick-off by Kennedy, Lawson secured the ball at the 50-yard line, and went through the whole Ottawa line for a touchdown. The try was not allowed, however, as he had gone out of touch. Hume was put off for blocking. Gall received a pass from Foulds and kicked the ball travelling to the Ottawa 25-yard line. Church bucked

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## TIGERS MAY PLAY 'VARSITY' IN THE U. S.

Mr. Arthur Irwin, of Philadelphia, Trying to Get Two Canadian Teams to Give Exhibition in Quaker City—Tigers Are Willing.

The Jungle Kings may yet have a chance to show what they can do against the speedy 'Varsity fourteen.

Football, as played by the colleges of America, is due for reform. The many unfortunate accidents resulting fatally on the gridiron already this season will have some bearing on the future of the sport. That casualties are common to other branches of sport is overlooked in the appalling list of deaths from this season's short reign. True, the majority of the score of fatal accidents have been confined to prep, public and high school lads, but that doesn't matter. Enough of the well-trained college athletes have suffered death or serious injury to stir up the antagonism of football's foes, somewhat lessened by the efforts of several seasons back to renovate the pastime.

The clamor against the American college game has again brought up the suggestion that an exhibition of the game under Canadian rules would be both interesting and instructive to the followers of the American style of play.

Mr. Arthur Irwin, of Philadelphia, is negotiating with Mr. Frank Nelson, sporting editor of the Toronto Globe, to have two fast Canadian teams go to the Quaker City and show how the Canadian game surpasses that played under the American College rules. He says it would draw 25,000 or 30,000 people.

Ben Simpson has been sounded as to the possibility of getting the Jungle Kings to play, and the Tigers captain signified his willingness and that of the team. Frank Nelson is trying to get 'Varsity to agree to a game, and should the Collegians consent, the Tigers will commence practice immediately.

The Tigers and 'Varsity play much the same, in so much that they depend more on open play for their points. A game between these two would be worth going some distance to see, and the Americans would have a chance of seeing two of Canada's best teams in action.

In an article on the possibilities of the Canadian game, an American exchange says:

"Walter Camp, one of the greatest authorities on football, got a number of good suggestions from watching the big football games among the Rugby teams of Canada. In the Dominion serious injuries are rare, because there is no such thing as 'interference' or protection to the runner. The man carrying the ball must rely on his own resources to advance the spheroid. The line is allowed to jostle the opposing array to make a hole for the runner, but the latter is not allowed to run behind one or more of his teammates. Naturally this kills any sort of mass play, and also prevents the piling up of many men on one. Tackling below the knee is an unpardonable offence.

Though statistics are being furnished to prove that most injuries this season have been the result of tackling, the fact nevertheless remains that even in its apparent openness the new style of game is still compact. The practice of both sides of hurling themselves together to advance or retard the runner, even after he is down, covers some of the sins of mass play. Legislation is a ticklish matter, but it is up to the authorities to do something if the game is to be preserved."

## THE TIGER CUBS WERE DEFEATED IN SEMI-FINALS.

Alerts Trimmed Them in a Hard Fought Game by a Score of 4 to 1—Nearly Two Thousand Persons Saw the Game.

The hopes of the Junior Tigers for Interprovincial honors got a jolt on Saturday afternoon at the Cricket Grounds, when the champion Alerts, who have not lost a game this season, succeeded in defeating the Cubs, winning by a score of 4-1, and earning the right of competing in the finals for the junior championship of Canada. Owing to some misunderstanding, this was the only League game the Tigers played this year, and in view of the circumstances a different result could hardly be expected. But at that they made a creditable showing, and only for a few costly mistakes the result might have been reversed. It was the only opportunity the fans had of sizing up the material, which some day, perhaps, may be called upon to uphold Hamilton's reputation in the senior field. The game, while not a brilliant exhibition, was interesting from start to finish. About two thousand saw the game. While the afternoon was ideal for football, the teams were forced to contend with a drawback, in the poor condition of the ground, which was very soft. Naturally this greatly affected the playing. The condition of the field affected both teams, and this helped considerably to make the game more interesting. There would have been no doubt as to the result on dry grounds, as the Alerts are much the better team, but the conditions favored the Tigers, which evened up matters somewhat.

Had the Alerts played to form the game would have been one-sided, and as it was the Tigers were forced to play on the defensive most of the game. During the first half the teams played a rattling good game, and when the score ended a tie, the crowd expected a great finish, and their expectations were realized. In the second half the players started to play with more energy than ever, especially the Tigers, who started to rush things, but the Alerts gradually came to life, and then it was all off but the shooting. Their wing line started to break through and nail the halves before they could get rid of the ball, and also broke up the Tigers' combination, which badly disorganized the team. Their only hope was of getting a touchdown, and they nearly succeeded in the last few minutes of play, when the Tigers dribbled the ball the length of the field, but the Alerts got possession near their own line and when the whistle blew they had started to carry it to the other end. In the latter part of the game the Alerts broke through at will. The only difference between the teams was on the wing lines, and it can be safely said the Alerts outclassed their opponents in this department.

The Alerts' line has got the weight and strength, and know how to use it effectively, bucking the line for big gains. The back divisions of both teams played great ball, but the Alerts were a little better. They played a steady, effective game, not making a single mistake, running and catching up to expectations, but the only advantage the Alerts had was their punting, and they easily outkicked their rivals. Vickley, of the winners, sending the ball half the length of the field at times. It was his brilliant kicking that scored the points. The game, while brilliant in spots, was a rough affair, the players seemingly trying to settle old disputes. At their recent encounter at Brantford Park they mixed things up freely, and naturally a few of the players entered this game with the intention of evening matters up a little. While few were penalized for dirty work, inside football was the rule, the game being continually delayed on account of injuries. Before the game started there was a big chewing match between the players, and the referees and the officials regarding whether or not intermediate men were eligible to play. The Tigers claimed the two games between Hamilton and Dundas were thrown out as not played games by the executive, which would mean that all the intermediates would be eligible. The Alerts claimed that the games did interfere with the standing. However, the intermediates did not play, although there was some talk of protest by the Tigers. Owing to this wrangling it was after 3 o'clock before the game was started.

In the first quarter Alerts scored one by a kick to the dead line. Near the end of the second quarter the Tigers tied the score by forcing Vickley to rouse. During the next quarter the Alerts came back strong, and scored three points, which ended the scoring. Gordon Nelson acted as referee, while Fred Robins umpired; goal judges, Chief TenEyck and W. Clark; line judges, Guy Long and C. Clark; timers, H. Pottery and W. McFarland; penalty timer, J. Addison.

The teams lined up as follows:

Alerts (4). Tigers (11).

Ireland . . . . . Full. Leslie

Carr . . . . . Halves.

G. Vickley . . . . . Brannigan

Muirhead . . . . . Murray

McCarthy . . . . . Quarter.

McCarthy . . . . . Malcom

Spence . . . . . Scrummage.

Sommerville . . . . . McFarlane

C. Vickley . . . . . Hudson

Wing.

Beakley . . . . . Bicker

Tree . . . . . Shelley

TenEyck . . . . . Hotrum

Graham . . . . . Harper

Cherrier . . . . . Graham

Snyder . . . . . Gatenby

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#### Victor Emmanuel's Rare Coins.

King Victor Emmanuel, according to a French newspaper, is a numismatist of the first rank, and his Majesty possesses a collection which may be termed a museum. His cabinets contain 60,000

coins, some most rare and almost priceless.

The king is a scientific collector, and will shortly publish a treatise on numismatics. It will run into several volumes, and will be entitled "Corpus Minusculum Italorum." The work will be a complete catalogue of mediaeval and modern money struck by Italy or by Italians in foreign lands. The printing of the first volume is almost complete. To insure correctness proof sheets have been submitted to the keepers of the coin departments in the principal museums of the world.—London Globe.

The love that is not lived soon dies.