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LOCAL ITEMS.

There has been a great deal of sickness about Portsmouth of late. Mr. and Mrs. Dennison have been laid up. Mr. Thos. McCammon's little daughter was seriously ill. Mrs. Davidson and several others have been sick.

Mr. William Dehaney is still to the fore in athletics, and at the Sports in Ontario Park, on August 24th, carried everything before him, winning no less than four first prizes.

Canadians have frequent cause to wonder at the ignorance displayed by foreign visitors, English and Canadian, regarding this country. A capital example of this ignorance was shown a few days ago. One of the Asylum Physicians had returned from camping, (as all have been camping, it will be difficult, as in the Lady and the Tiger, to decide which), and was introduced to a British Superintendent. The Britisher showed some agitation at the time of the introduction, and quietly asked if the Doctor in question was an "aboriginie." Later on in the day he gravely asked how it was possible to escape the tomahawks of the Iroquois when duck shooting in the wilds of Frontenac. Red fire—quick curtain, &c.

It looks as if most of the old reliables will be missing from Queen's Football Team this year. In a sense this will not be harmful to the Club, as it has depended almost too long on a certain set of players without developing new material, plenty of which was at hand. The management should go to work to make the best showing possible, and next year call on the Granites for a lot of material, which by that time will have reached senior championship form. The inference is that the juvenile training school is not to be despised.

Miss Bessie Workman, of Merrickville, was a guest at Rockwood House during August.

Football, Football, Football, is in the air metaphorically, and really, and already the thousand and one boys who play the game are getting into shape, and dreaming of their chances of being on the teams.

Mrs. Clarke gave a successful Musicales about the middle of August.

Mr. Dean, of the WHIG staff, has written a comic song descriptive of last year's victory of the Granites over Tigers. It is very clever.

Mr. Allan McLean has been absent on several masonic excursions of late.

Mr. Davidson's yachting trip was a decided success.

Dr. Clarke will open the discussion on Insomnia at the meeting of the British Medical Association at Montreal.

Rockwood sent a large contingent to the Jones Falls excursion on August 26th. Jones must have been surprised. The great question is how they all managed to get aboard the little steamer Jubilee.

It is rumored that Geo. Kennedy will leave for Ottawa very soon, to take a position in the Militia Department. George will be greatly missed in Kingston, for in addition to being the best scrimmager in Canada, he is immensely popular for his many good qualities.

Several small waterspouts formed during a squall off Channel Grove recently. The Bateau Channel provides a cross current of air and water peculiarly favorable to the development of these water spouts.

Mr. C. Y. Ford and Mr. Knox Walkem are quietly training for fall sports. Mr. Walkem's abilities are well understood, and as Carl's record for a hundred yards at Harvard is something under eleven seconds, he is worth watching.