

marked out for the year, thus avoiding the uncertainty and irregularity which had hitherto characterized our lecture course. But the Athenæum did not see fit to agree to some of the points on which the Faculty conditioned their support, and consequently nothing was done during the summer in the way of obtaining lectures. The main point to which the Athenæum would not agree was that its members should pay an admittance fee to lectures; but at its last meeting decided unanimously to accept the condition, and henceforth our patrons outside the University will not have the excuse so often made for not attending lectures, that they pay for our privileges in that line. It remains to be seen how much assistance will be rendered the committee by the Faculty; but we feel sure that an earnest effort will be made to furnish an interesting and instructive course of lectures this year; and we would urge all the students of the Academy, Seminary and College to avail themselves of this important means of intellectual improvement.

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Once more Acadia has met Dalhousie on the football field and has again been defeated, though she has no cause to be ashamed of the game her team played on Nov. 26th. This is the third successive defeat she has sustained at the hands of Dalhousie, and it only goes to show that it is practically impossible for a team situated as Acadia's is, to hold its own against a team which has the advantage of so many match games with teams of equal strength. Acadia only plays one match a year, that with Dalhousie, and all her practice consists of games with a second fifteen, which cannot be compared in value to match games. There is no doubt that Acadia has as good material for a football team as any college in the provinces. All that she wants is training. It seems almost useless to go on as we have been doing. Our teams have been as well trained the last two years as it is possible for them to be under existing circumstances. We can never meet Dalhousie on equal footing until we have the opportunity for practice that they have. Experience has taught us that under our present relations with the Wanderers and Garrison, we cannot meet their teams. It seems that the only way out of the present difficulty is for Acadia to try to gain admittance to the Halifax League to contest the trophy. Surely no one will deny that our team is worthy of a place in that contest. As a prominent member of the Dalhousie team has remarked—