

pick-axes and shovels. After a couple of hours of hard work the remains of the hockey rink and the snow-fort had either been carted off or had disappeared down the sewer. Lord John, the master of ceremonies, enveloped in his large rubber boots, was one of the most conspicuous figures among the busy workers. The next morning the lacrosse sticks which had been consigned to the top shelf of the store-room for the past few months, were again called into requisition; and the familiar thud of the foot-balls was also heard once more.

The base-ball players are already getting down to work, and the bulletin boards are daily covered with challenges from the members of one class to those of another. Judging from the enthusiasm already displayed, the coming athletic season will be an exceedingly active one, and each of the different sports will receive its due share of attention. The management of the first base-ball team of the small yard has been placed in the hands of Lamoureux, Tessier and Allard, while Brophy, Murphy and Cunningham will look after the interests of lacrosse. The managers of the lacrosse team are at present negotiating with some city teams, and are arranging for matches to take place as soon as the weather will permit.

Hand-ball seems to have lost none of its old-time popularity. The alley and every available part of the fence surrounding the yard is at every recreation utilized by those who take part in this pleasant pastime. Dandurand and Verrault will, no doubt, make this branch of sports not less interesting than the others during the present season.

A new base-ball team, called the Young Erins, has lately been organized with Rufus, as disappointed aspirant for first team honors, as captain. The members of the new team are Rufus, captain, Cunningham, Martel, Glasmacher, Hanly, Delaney, Russell, Burns, and Martin. The last named player was secured after a great deal of difficulty, as he claimed that he was wanted for the first team in the big yard. He was at the last moment however, induced to sign articles with the management of the new team.

A very lively and interesting debate took place in the junior refectory at dinner hour a few days ago. The debaters were Messrs. Paradis and Cowan. The subject under discussion was, whether Old Sleuth's latest production "trailed halter," was equal to some of his other works. Cowan supported the affirmative side of the question, while Paradis defended the negative. After a few minutes of heated discussion they decided that, on account of their proximity to the prefect, who has on certain occasions exhibited a desire to get hold of all such kind of literature, they had better finish the debate in the yard after dinner.

The first base-ball match of the season was played on the afternoon of the 9th inst. between the old rivals, the invincibles and the pastimes. As is shown by the score the game was not a very close one, but it must be remembered that, as it was the beginning of the season, the players were out of practice and, consequently, did not play as scientific a game as they usually do. J. Martin filled the position of umpire, and judging from his decisions, he will make a very good one, when he learns a little more about the game.

The following is a list of the players and their positions:—

| Invincibles. | Pastime.          |
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| Belair.....  | Pitcher.....      |
| Kearns.....  | Catcher.....      |
| Allard.....  | First base.....   |
| Martel.....  | Second base.....  |
| Leonard....  | Third base.....   |
| Delaney .... | Short stop....    |
| Hanly....    | Centre field..... |
| Martel.....  | Right field.....  |
| Russell..... | Left field.....   |

The pastimes won the toss and took the first innings; in the beginning the pitching was pretty wide and several got bases on balls. At the end of this innings the Pastimes took the field with six runs in their favour. Belair went to the bat first for the Invincibles and by a beautiful hit was enabled to reach third base. The pitching in this innings was similar to that of the last and before the third man was put out seven runs were scored. The play throughout the remainder of the match was very loose, with the exception of the fourth innings, when the pastimes received a whitewash, the only one during the game. At the end of the fifth innings the 8th game was