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CADETS vs. QUEEN'S.

COOL and bracing was the air when on Saturday, 16th ult., at 3:30 the foot-ball teams of Queen's and the Royal Military colleges met on the cricket field to play the first match for the championship of eastern Ontario. The Queen's team was first organized in the autumn of '82, and, to the surprise of all, vanquished the Cadets, a much older and, as it was thought, a more skilful team. The same success attended Queen's during 1883 and 1884. Last year, however, the military men seemed to have had the advantage though to a very slight degree. When, therefore, these old-time opponents again faced each other, many were the speculations as to the result. The teams were as follows:

R. M. C.—Backs—Panet, Morris; half backs—Rose, Gunn; quarter backs—Von Straubenzie and Simpson; forwards—Henneker, Bowie, Hamilton, Clapp, Cayley, Fleming, Jack and Morrow.

Queen's University—Back—E. Pirie; half-backs—Booth and H. Pirie; Quarter backs—Farrell and Chown; forwards—Richards, McFarlane, Rankin, F. McCammon, Gandier, Pratt, Logie, White, Bain and McMaster.

Morris was the captain of the Cadets and Captain Logie marshalled the Queen's. Mr. Baker acted as referee. At a quarter to four the ball was kicked off by H. Pirie of the Queen's, and for a short time remained dangerously near the Cadets' goal. Gradually, however, it was worked downwards against the Queen's, who had to play against both sun and wind. Round the Queen's goal the ball then hovered for a short time till Bain finally secured it and started up the field. He was collared and the ball kicked outside the line. It was thrown in several times, gradually working up towards the Cadet's goal, the supporters of both parties in the meantime shouting themselves hoarse as their respective representatives gained the slightest advantage. Towards the Cadets' line the ball kept slowly but surely moving and just when the Queens seemed certain of victory, half-time was called and the wearied players arose from a mud-puddle to obtain a few minutes rest before resuming hostilities.

This time the Cadets had the kick-off, sending the ball near the Queen's goal line, and before the Queens had time to return it any distance the Cadets were on hand and had the ball held. Then followed a series of scrimmages in which heads, limbs and ball appeared to receive the same treatment. After a time H. Pirie secured the sphere and sent it down the field, but Gunn was on hand and quickly returned the compliment. Time was now beginning to tell heavily on the light but athletic votaries of the gown and the fortunes of the day were changing accordingly. The Cadets were beginning to awaken to the stern fact that if the game was to be won, brilliant play alone would gain it, and they settled down to their work with great determination. After some

splendid passing the ball was kicked beyond the Queen's goal line and Pirie was compelled to rouge. Quickly the ball was kicked off and as soon returned again toward's the Queen's goal. Intense excitement prevailed and everyone was shouting himself hoarse. The leather was forced over the Queen's line and a safety touch obtained. This ended the game, the score being three points to nothing in favor of the Cadets. As, however, four points must be secured before a game can be declared, the match was a draw and the teams were compelled to play again on the following Monday. The play on both sides was good, though far too much scrimmaging to make the game interesting. McMaster and Rankin of the Queen's played a fine game, while Gunn, Morrow and Clapp of the Cadets played in their usual fine style.

MONDAY'S MATCH.

The morning broke with clouds fleeing across the sky, giving promise of anything but a fine afternoon for the match. Many were the speculations as to the result of the contest; military men and their admirers calculated that success was sure to rest upon their banners; but to judge from the enthusiasm shown by the students of Queen's one would think the Cadets would have no chance whatever. Some changes were made in the teams which were to meet.

The referee of Saturday, Mr. Baker, being unable to fill the position gave place to Mr. Bailey, a Toronto University man. He was telegraphed for and arrived in the city in time to officiate at what was, as he called it, one of the most desperately fought battles on the Campus he had ever witnessed. The Military College team was the same as that which played on Saturday. Queen's made one change. Mr. F. Booth received injuries in the late match which necessitated his being a spectator on Monday, but his place was most admirably filled by Mr. Pratt, whose proper position is among the forwards. Mr. Marshall played forward in Mr. Pratt's stead. With all the men in place time was called. The wind had almost entirely gone down when the captains tossed for position. The Cadets with their usual good luck, won the toss and elected to kick up the field with the sun in their faces.

The referee placed the ball at 4:10 p.m., and it was kicked well down-field without delay by Cadet Rose. It was well into Queen's territory, but was immediately taken by forwards of both sides. Necessarily a scrimmage followed. In this McMaster, Richards and Cayley distinguished themselves. This opened the battle of the giants. Inch by inch, Queen's forced it toward the upper goal, Farrell and Clapp even showing agility worthy of champions. Soon, in spite of the strongest opposition, Queen's had carried it fully three-quarters of the way up the field. Cadet Von Straubenzie, however, was not to be passed. He got the sphere and made for the opposite end and was not stopped until E. Pirie "collared low." Up and down play followed quick and fast, the Cadets showing perhaps better form on account of their superior