

individual members of the club, that reputation was shamefully lost and disgraced during the season of '81. Why was this? It was chiefly owing to the lack of interest shown by the graduates and undergraduates, who were so wrapped up in their own indifference that they placidly beheld what they ought to have considered a personal disgrace. However, all lovers of Trinity and her foster sons will be pleased to learn that the turning point in her downward career in out-door sports has been reached, and that she promises soon to regain her enviable reputation, and to rank among the first clubs—perhaps as the best—in this province. Last year, nine matches were played, four of which were won, two lost and three drawn. The principal victories were those gained over University College, Whitby and Toronto, while decided defeats were sustained from the Bankers of Ontario and Aurora. Looking at matters from this point of view, the record is not a bad one, but when one considers that the batting average for the players was 42 (the highest 8, the lowest 2) one is reasonably led to suppose that there is much room for improvement, and, indeed, there is. This can only be brought about by following the advice given by all professionals, whether of music or cricket, to "practice hard and practice constantly." Practicing among Trinity men seems utterly unnecessary, and to be looked upon as an exploded idea, from the carrying out of which no benefit can be derived. But this is not an exploded idea, and, moreover, it is the only means by which a club can ever succeed in the field. It is the secret of the success ascribed to English elevens and it will bring success to all clubs carrying it out systematically, and on the plan suggested by Mr. Grace. It is not enough for two or three men to engage for half an hour or so in what is known as "12 ball practice." There must be regular practice days besides, and to make these days conduct to any beneficial result, the college must turn out in a body, and to a man engage energetically in the play. Last year the practice was very poor, and in several cases did more harm than good. The bowling, often loose and careless, encouraged a dangerous, slogging style of batting, that, had the season been longer, might have proved ruinous. As it was, two promising batsmen were spoiled through their paying too much attention to this kind of practice. In matches both bowlers and batsmen seemed to realize the necessity of careful play, and the former maintained the credit of the college by the exceptionally good averages they secured. However, this is not a precedent to be blindly followed. Good as it is for players to show themselves at their best on match days, it is absolutely necessary to do their best at practice. This is especially true when, as in the present year, the bowlers will have to be taught from the first, and trained up for matches. Let this not be discouraging to any who hope to become masters of the art of "trundling." Canada's best bowler learnt his cricket at Trinity, and the legend of his bowling at a post in the gymnasium and then walking to the other

side and bowling the ball back again for half an hour every day, offers encouragement to any neophyte who hopes to win the position in cricket circles which Mr. Logan now holds. Scratch matches give excellent practice, and it will be advisable for the incoming committee to have as many of them as possible, and also to arrange several games with Upper Canada College. Their fielding is always good, and their bowling this year is expected to be above the average. Last year our club had a balance on hand of \$20.00, but this season the financial condition is not so satisfactory. Many expenses will probably be contracted, as the usual supply of material is required, and an additional outlay will be found necessary for the improvement of the crease and the purchase of a new roller. It is therefore earnestly requested that friends, graduates and undergraduates will tender the club liberal contributions and hearty support. The three institutions, which bear Trinity's name, and to a certain extent give Trinity her prestige, are the Cricket and Football Clubs and ROUGE ET NOIR, and from the support which these are receiving we are glad to be able to deduce the conclusion, that that marked and deplorable apathy amongst Trinity men, in all matters which go far towards raising our reputation in the eyes of the public, is fast dying out, chiefly through the force of individual exertion. Messrs. Campbell, Tewnley and Godfrey, were the bowlers and mainstays last season, and in their departure the Club suffers a severe loss. However our last year's captain, though busy in the other end of the city, will be with us, and we trust will lead us on to many more victories. It is rumoured that Trinity Medical boasts of two or three good men. If so, their services are very much needed, and should be secured. The outgoing Secretary intends calling the first annual meeting about the 5th of April, and expects it will be well attended.

Let every man in College now interest himself in Cricket, and our annual record will be creditable. It is a grand, healthy, life-giving pastime, and is worthy of its appellation the "noble game of Cricket."

EXCHANGES.

Our friend *Argosy* takes our criticism very much to heart. Quite right, we meant that it should; but let it take heart, so modest a wish will certainly be granted.

A well-written number of the *Hellmouth World* lies before us. We wonder why the shape of this paper has not been altered—there is so much room for improvement. "Elijah" is quite up to the average of college poems.

The King's College Record as good as ever. "In the unseen," rather an ambitious subject, is well handled. "Helen of Troy" is very readable, adds considerably to our previous knowledge. We would recommend further research.

The *Crimson* contains a well written poem entitled, "Vorbei." The metre seems suggested by Kingsley's "Three Fishers." There is nothing else in the number calling for comment.

The *University Magazine* is almost a model as regards its get-up. In the last number that we received is a well-written story entitled, "An Autumn Leaf." The rest of the paper is a little above the average.

Have also received amongst others *The Acadia Athenaeum*, *College Journal*, *College Menage*, *Dartmouth*, *Hobart Herald*, *Notre Dame Scholastic*, *Portfolio*, *Reveille*, *Spectator*, *Trinity Tablet*, *Undergraduate*, *Vivette Reporter*, and *Woodstock Gazette*.