

scrimmage, and Shea came up to quarter. Then began the play proper of the day. By a series of rushes which recalled the famous scrimmaging of the last College-Montreal game they utterly routed their opponents. With their strength massed behind the scrimmage they literally swept them off their feet while Shea would inevitably appear through the breaking with the leather. In this manner the wearers of the Red and Black were driven steadily backward to the centre where the shock of battle ceased with time, leaving the game a draw.

There was still plenty of time to decide the draw and it was expected that the referee in accord with every known precedent would use his power to continue the game to a finish. The college were willing but the Montrealers were not, and the referee added the crowning piece to his consummate absurdities. It was remarked by many that the opponents were awarded a great many penalty kicks, while the College not one, and that these free kicks came in most opportunely to relieve a dangerous press on goal.

The result of the game was not at all satisfactory to College. There was however some satisfaction in knowing that their line had not been crossed once, that of their opponents four times; that they had maintained the fight so well, handicapped as they were by the loss of Boucher and the injury of Murphy; and that they had had the worst end of the decision.

A meeting of the foot-ball committee was called on Monday and a request forwarded to the proper authorities asking that a meeting of the Q.R.U. be held as soon as possible with a view to settling the draw. It was desirable that the contested game be decided on the following Saturday, a date on which neither team was engaged. The meeting was accordingly ordered for Friday night Oct. 18. This was of course too late to order a game for the 19th inst. It was unfortunate, since no other date was available until the end of the series, Nov. 16, or possibly, in case of another tie, Nov. 23; thus deferring the Dominion championship match until the unseasonable date of either Nov. 23 or 30, when foot ball would be impossible in Montreal. If both teams agreed, of course they could

play off, and as College was most desirous of preventing a tangle in the schedule they proposed to Montreal to play Oct. 19 on home grounds giving total receipts, or on Montreal grounds accepting same terms. It was expected that this bold move would induce Montreal to enter the lists. They refused. College could do no more, a more generous offer they could not make, and why it was refused is still a mystery to every lover and well-wisher of foot-ball.

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The turn which events have taken very lately has answered the question of playing off, in fact has put an end to all further contests for College this season. On the afternoon of Thursday Oct. 17, in a light practice preparatory to meeting the Old Students from McGill, Toby Morin, in stopping a dribble, received a blow on the head which rendered him unconscious and nearly proved fatal. Physicians were summoned but as the injury was internal they could do nothing, and expressed grave fears for his recovery. He is at present writing regarded as beyond danger and on the way to recovery.

This deplorable accident threw a gloom over everyone and darkened or entirely obscured the prospect of any more foot-ball this year. No one had the heart for it, seeing such results. Of course in the first excitement and grief the game itself was blamed for its roughness. This accident however cannot be ascribed to the brutality of foot-ball. It was not the result of any roughness, it might occur in the gentlest play, as in fact it did, and its seriousness is due not to the severity of the blow, but to the mere chance of touching the right place. So deeply grieved was everyone for Toby, who was held in high and universal esteem, that many of the most enthusiastic foot-ballers were heard to declare they would never more put on a suit.

A telegram was sent Friday morning to the Executive of the Q.R.U. announcing that the College team would retire from the series. An explanation followed to the effect that, as the injured player was in a very precarious condition, regard for him demanded that they withdraw from the contest.