

Queen's. The Victorias were in Kingston a day and a half—they had with them in all about twenty men. This would cost at the least calculation \$2.00 per each man, making a total of \$40.00. Add to this \$6.00 for conveyances to bring them to and from the station and to and from the field and \$10.00 in cash handed over to the secretary and treasurer of the Victorias, and a like sum paid to the cricket club for the use of their grounds, and you have a total of \$66.00. Compare this with the Toronto's outlay for matches played in Toronto. The *Mail* says it was nothing and we believe it, because we have the experience of the Queen's team to go by. But it may be objected, the Toronto's were right in not paying any of the expenses of visiting teams and Queen's was very foolish to do so. Perhaps Queen's in this case did only as they would be done by, they did by Cobourg this year as they did by Knox last year and as they are confident either Cobourg or Knox would do by them. So much for the records of the two clubs claiming the championship. From these facts any unprejudiced person can see that Queen's has been to at least as great expense in connection with the Association matches as the Torontos.

Now, as to the Championship, whose is it? Undoubtedly Queen's, until it is taken from them in the only way possible, by beating them on the Foot-ball field.

They won the championship last fall when they defeated Knox, and they held it at least until the 6th of December last, no one calling their claim in question. Not having been defeated then, we claim they hold it still. Any club having won the Championship certainly retains that honor until they are defeated or until they refuse to play. Queen's have not yet been defeated and they have not refused to play, and further, they cannot be required to play again until next season. In support of this we refer to No.

8 of the cup competition rules as published by the Association which limits the time for contesting the championship to the first Saturday in December. On that day the Torontos and the champions played and the champions were not defeated, and consequently the cup is still theirs. But it is said the Association met and made a new rule giving Queen's the option of going to Toronto again and accepting \$60 in payment of their expenses, or of playing the match in Kingston, guaranteeing the Torontos the same amount for their expenses. Granting this was a fair decision on the part of the Association, we still claim the championship for Queen's, the Torontos by their non-appearance in Kingston having forfeited all claim upon it even according to their new rule. When the decision of the Association was forwarded to Queen's what did they do? At once they said to the Torontos come on. The Torontos had the word of the Association that if the game were played in Kingston the Queen's club would have to pay them \$60. This was all the guarantee that Queen's had for their expenses when they went to Toronto.

They were assured that their expenses would be paid in full. They accepted that assurance and went. The Torontos, however, knowing how much they contributed to the expenses of Queen's and how royally they entertained them, refuse to accept the word of the Association and ask for an additional guarantee from Queen's. We cannot help thinking that if the Torontos want the championship they had better win it and not try to get by quibbling. At the same time we think that the honorable way for the Association to act would be to pay the bill they owe Queen's before by vote they saddle them with more financial obligations and legislate them out of the championship. Queen's is willing and ready to play the Torontos or any other club in the Associ-