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Editorials.**THE SPIRIT OF THE 'VARSITY.**

A recent number of "The 'Varsity" had the following editorial, under the caption, "The Spirit of Queen's":

"IN a recent number of the Queen's University Journal an article welcoming home the defeated debaters said in part: "Although the decision of the judges was against us, it was not a defeat, but rather a victory for the "SPIRIT OF QUEEN'S." Heaven forbid that a spirit such as continually exhibited by Queen's should triumph over anything.

"Much has already been said about the poor sportsmanship of Queen's, but after a round of experiences such as encountered on Friday and Saturday, it is hard to refrain from making further comment. On Friday night the hockey team refused to accept an official from the Toronto board of referees—an action decidedly contrary to the constitution of the Union. Their refusal to comply with the rules kept a crowd of many hundreds waiting for the larger part of an hour. Eventually the Toronto management gave in and a Kingston man officiated. Toronto had few objections to the man Queen's proposed, but it was the high-handed manner of the Presbyterians that caused all the opposition. Then all during the game the team conducted themselves in a decidedly unsportsmanlike manner. They never seem to learn "the game" at Queen's, their one idea being to win in any manner possible. Almost every man on the team played "dirty" all night, and it was quite pleasing to see them get a taste of their own work occasionally. Their attempts to make delays that they might rest in the second half would have been ridiculous if the official had not treated them as serious.

"On Saturday afternoon at five o'clock, the basketball team of the same institution was to play the Toronto team. At three o'clock they arrived at the gymnasium and demanded that the game be played then. They knew it was not to be until five o'clock, but one of their number had an engagement