

The men of Queen's have earned the crown by hard work and perseverance. Their record as a team furnishes a healthy moral, and one which we would wish our own players to observe and to profit by. The team that can make use of defeat, to discover its weak points, is bound to win. For the determination to win that is born of bitter defeat is the determination that must some day win the sweetest victory. Seven years is a long time to keep up on trying, but each year's defeat must enhance the sweetness of the victory that Queen's men now enjoy. We have had our years of victory, we have also had our years of defeat. But as our years of defeat have followed our victories, there is no reason in the world why they may not also be made the years of defeat that precede our victories. Let us be guided by the moral that is to be drawn from the career of Queen's; let us, in defiance of defeat, persevere with redoubled determination to win back our erstwhile honors, and success will one day be ours. The fight may be an uphill one 'tis true, but the harder and the longer the fight, the greater and sweeter the victory.

DECORUM OF STUDENTS.

Much is said and written in our times of the unseemly conduct of students on public occasions. We cannot deny that there is some ground for these strictures passed on college men, in most cases, however, we venture to say, the statements made regarding the misdeeds of students are gross exaggerations.

By a certain class of fault-finders any disturbance which occurs in an assembly, is attributed to students, if there happens to be a college in the neighborhood. On one occasion the writer whilst assisting at the presentation of a Shakespearian drama heard numerous disparaging remarks

about noisy students, when a disturbance was made in the gallery. Now as a matter of fact, there were only three students in the building and we were all three seated near the prejudiced fault-finders. This is only one among many cases we might cite.

At a banquet in Ottawa lately, there was considerable uproar during the replies to some of the toasts. As usual, irascible individuals were not wanting, who attributed the disturbance to students. Facts are stubborn things, and it is a positive fact that in the part of the hall from which the disturbance came, there were scarcely any students. We must admit that, unfortunately a few, a very few students were among the disturbers. We emphatically deny, however, that such men could be classed as representative students. It is not surprising that out of five or six hundred, a few are found who are not what they should be.

What we strenuously object to, is that anyone should be so unreasonable as to judge the student-body by the wrongdoing of an insignificant minority. It is an undeniable fact, however, in almost every institution, that the unseemly behavior of the few produces an unfavorable impression which the gentlemanly deportment of the many fails to offset. We maintain that the overwhelming majority of college students are gentlemen thoroughly imbued with the idea, that "rowdiness" is incompatible with good breeding and true education.

Students of other institutions may be greater offenders against decorum than we are. We find it strange indeed when we hear of convocation addresses being drowned in the din raised by students; of a president being insulted when he addresses undergraduates. Reports of such scenes, we regret to say, cannot be doubted as regards at least one of our sister-universi-