

AIDS TO REFLECTION.

THEOLOGUE! Canst thou mark with observant eye the fortunes of the play as the ball darts out into the field and both sides dash helter-skelter in pursuit? Do you know what is meant by "try," "goal," "offside"? If not, learn at once, and prudence bids you keep mum while you are learning. You will get no satisfaction other than a curling lip and scornful glance if you dare express a conviction of yours that the game savours of the amphitheatre. Therefore, I say, when you are in Rome attend the gladiatorial contests, and sigh to your own heart for the days of dumb-bells and Indian clubs.

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ON the Wanderers' grounds how the real man comes out. A highly respected minister so far forgets himself as to tramp serenely on other men's toes, and give a most vague and worthless apology, while with outstretched neck his gaze is riveted on the play, and, to the consternation of two lady members of his congregation whom he has most unceremoniously cut, he shouts in frenzy "Well played Dalhousie." Another little man is equally partizan, but is hampered by his size. He wears a long, heavy overcoat, and in his excitement tries to climb out at the neck. He sticks before getting far.

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THOSE Saturday shows are rich in dudes. Even the theologue sometimes sails close to the wind of dudism; but how sheepishly he runs before it when the blast comes down in the shape of a bank-clerk in turned-up trousers, red leather boots, baggy blue overcoat, broad tie bowed on an expansive shirt front, hat well down over the eye-brows, ornamental cane and cigarette. "Motley's the only wear."

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