

final tie is played when the winning Club shall hold the Cup for the current year.

7. In the event of a Club getting a 'bye' in any of the drawings, the Committee at the next drawing, shall first draw a Club to play against it from the lot, and then proceed in drawing couples, *vide* Rule 6.

8. Any Club refusing, or failing to play the Club against which it has been drawn, within the time intimated to it, and without sufficient reasons for so doing, shall be adjudged to have lost the match.

9. The lots shall be drawn, and the competition Matches played, as the Committee of the Association may determine; and immediately after each drawing, the Secretary shall intimate to each of the Clubs drawn, the name of the Club it is drawn against, and the time within which the tie is to be played.

10. Notice of the result of each Match shall be sent by the winning Club, or in the event of a 'Drawn-match,' by both of the competing Clubs, so as to be in the hands of the Secretary within three days of the date on which the Match may have been played.

11. Unless otherwise mutually arranged competing Clubs shall toss for choice of ground, except in the final matches, the ground for which shall be chosen by the Committee. But should two Clubs be drawn against one another, one only of which has private ground, the match shall be played on that ground.\* In drawn matches, the Club who lost the toss in the first instance shall have the choice of ground for the second match.

12. The competing Clubs, in all but the final tie of each season, shall appoint the Umpires and Referee, but in the final tie they shall be appointed by the Committee.

13. The Referee in all of the competition matches, shall not belong to either of the competing Clubs, and in the case of the final tie, neither the Umpire nor Referee.

14. ON POINTS OF FACT CONNECTED WITH THE PLAY GOING ON, an appeal may be made from the decision of one Umpire, to that of the other Umpire, and if both agree their decision shall be final; if they do not agree both Umpires shall confer with the Referee (on the field, but apart, and by themselves), and the Referee's decision shall be final.

15. ON QUESTIONS OF INTERPRETATION OF RULES OR LAWS OF THE GAME, an appeal may be made from the decision of both Umpires to that of the Referee, and from that of the Referee to that of the Committee of the Association—but the Referee's decision MUST

\* Public ground, if made private for a match shall be held to be private ground under the meaning of this Rule.

BE ACTED ON IN THE FIELD, although under protest.

16. Protest and appeals must be formally intimated to the Referee and to the competing Club, before the Club protesting leaves the ground on which the match may have been played, and must be lodged with the Secretary of the Association within three days thereafter.

17. All questions of eligibility, qualification of competitors, interpretations of the Rules or Laws, shall be referred to the Committee of the Association, whose decision shall be final.

18. When the winning Club shall have been ascertained, the Secretary of the Association shall hand the Cup to its representatives, on receiving a document to the following effect, and subscribed by them: "We, A. B., Secretary of the Z. Y. Club, and C. D. E. F., and G. H., members of and representing the said Club, which has now been declared to have won the Dominion Football Association Challenge Cup, and the same having been delivered to us by J. K., the Secretary of the said Association, do hereby on behalf of the said Club, and individually and collectively, engage to return the same to the said J. K., or the Secretary of the Association for the time being, on or before the first day of April next, in like good order and condition, and in accordance with the conditions of the annexed Rules, to which also we have subscribed our respective names."

19. The President and Treasurer of the Association shall be for all intents and purposes the legal holders of the Cup, in trust for the Association.

20. In addition to the Cup, the Committee will present to the winners of the final tie Eleven Medals or Badges.

21. The Committee of the Association shall have power to alter, or add to the above Rules as they from time to time shall deem expedient.

It may be of some interest if I here append the result of the Cup competitions so far.

#### SEASON 1877-78.

##### FIRST TIES PLAYED 20th OCTOBER.

Carlton v. Toronto School of Medicine—won by Carlton 1 goal to 0.

Berlin High School v. Galt—won by Berlin by 1 goal to 0.

University College v. Toronto Lacrosse—a tie.

The second ties owing to various causes beyond the control of the Clubs were not played off.