

## THE FOOTBALL CONTEST.

## HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF.

The Association Football season again comes to a close with old Varsity on top. Perhaps no more successful a record has been made in the football annals of Canada than that of which the Association Football Club of Toronto University can proudly boast. That a club composed, for the most part, of players whose abilities as scientific kickers had never been heard of in football circles should be so conspicuously victorious, was the football sensation of last fall; but once the true form of the team had been shown, our success this fall was not so great a surprise.

The final championship match between Varsity and the Grand Trunk Club of Montreal, winners of the Eastern championship, as blazoned forth on the elaborate invitation cards, took place a week ago yesterday. All night and all day the rain poured. Nevertheless the boys turned out in force to shout the old club on to victory. So great was the enthusiasm that even the ladies were undaunted, and bravely risked the ruin of their finery rather than miss the match. Prof. Baldwin, Hon. Pres. of the club, and several other professors were also present. When the teams lined up, it could be seen that the Grand Trunk were the older and heavier lot of men, and, as it afterwards proved, their weight on the slippery ground was a considerable advantage. Amidst the tooting of horns and the bedlam-like yells of the college supporters, "Watty" kicked off for Varsity. A detailed description of the match would be impossible. From a spectator's point of view it must have been amusing enough. To watch the frantic efforts of a player to maintain his equilibrium, and then to see him gracefully but ignominiously squat upon the muddy sward to rest his weary limbs; to speculate upon the clean and beautiful appearance of the players, well repaid the spectators for their hardihood in braving the weather. Under some unaccountable impression that they were endeavoring to defeat the Grand Trunks, Gordon, Duncan and McLay scored once and Buckingham twice. Jacobi, on a beautiful piece of combined play, got the ball past Ivan Senkler, and thus tallied the only point for his team, which was clearly outplayed from the start. Amidst triumphant cheers, saluting our boys as Champions of Canada, Referee Galt blew the whistle, time was called, and the match was over. The championship series is now at an end. The season will be closed with a trip to Detroit and Chatham this week. It will be impossible to take all the first team, but vacancies will be filled as far as possible by Varsity men.

## TORONTO MEDS. DEFEAT TRINITY MEDS.

On Thursday afternoon the Lawn was the scene of the annual football match between Toronto and Trinity Meds. It was a sight worth seeing. Many of those who have seen the matches between these rival esculapians during the past two or three years aver that the excitement on Thursday was tame compared with them, nor, in their opinion, was the play so fierce. But be that as it may the struggle of this year was a hard and very exciting one. Whether it be from the habitual contact with the sanguinary fluid or not, one thing is sure and that is that both, in slang parlance, play for gore, though happily very little is ever spilt. For the past two years Toronto has won and following this good example the Varsity Meds. won this year by 3 goals to 2.

During the first half the play was rather evenly divided, each side scoring one goal, "Scout" McLaren doing the needful for Toronto. After change of ends the play became very fast and some very good combination was shown by both sides. Campbell put Toronto in the lead by scoring, but Anderson made things even by retaliating for Trinity. Then the great and only "Watty" made a dash on goal and won the third goal and the match for Toronto. The victorious meds. lined up and marched down College Street, accompanied by a most accomplished fish-horn orchestra. Thus ended the big match.

## CROSS-COUNTRY RUN.

The fifth annual cross-country run was held on Thursday last, and was in all respects successful. The course was a new one, but the doubt which was at first felt regarding the nature of it was soon dispelled and the good judgment of the committee endorsed. A start was made in front of the ruins at 3.37 by fourteen flyers, who proceeded along Bloor Street, down through High Park, finishing at the Humber Bridge in the following order:— 1. W. E. Buckingham, '92; time, 41½ minutes. 2. J. E. McAllister; 3. J. Crawford; 4. C. E. Langley; 5. A. L. McLaughlin; 6. J. M. Godfrey; 7. P. White; 8. W. Davies; 9. F. B. Goodwillie; 10. R. Mackenzie; 11. A. E. McLaughlin; 12. H. Rolph. W. Gilmour and W. Cross did not finish.

Buckingham's time was considered very fast, as the course was rather longer than the old one. He finished strong and about a minute ahead of McAllister.

At six o'clock dinner was served at Nurse's, about fifty being present, and afterwards the President of the Games Committee presented the prizes. The first six received the usual medals. Buckingham was presented with a handsome silver challenge cup, the gift of Mr. S. B. Windrum, King Street.

After dinner a pleasant evening was spent, the company being entertained by the musical, oratorical and natant gentlemen present, who were too numerous to mention.

## SPORTING NOTES.

The absence of any important events has given an opportunity for several minor football matches. On Thursday the Polical Science men, of '93, defeated the Classics, of the same year, by 3 to 1. After the big hustling on Friday the Freshmen and Sophomores lined up in the football fray, and the Freshmen went under to the tune of 6 goals to 2. The Freshmen's forward line was a good one, but the opposing defence was very strong. Jackson, '94, in goal, had his collar-bone injured so badly as to be unable to use his arm, and in this state of affairs '93 ran in four goals. They had the best of the game on the whole. Wood, of '92, was referee. On Saturday Natural Science, of '93, defeated Political Science, ditto, by 1 to 0, and School of Science repeated the dose on Residence.

## COLLEGE WORLD.

The total membership of the Greek-letter societies is about 75,000.

James Russell Lowell is to give a series of lectures on the Old English dramatists at the University of Pennsylvania.

Of the ten leading tennis players of the United States, it is well to note that all but the tenth are college graduates.

Two thousand five hundred students at Ann Arbor. It is now the largest institution of learning on the Western Continent.

There are at present 214 graduate students in attendance at Johns Hopkins. Among these, 29 fellowships are given. Among the number are 3 graduates from Toronto, 2 of whom are fellows.

At Princeton there are 93 graduate students, 500 Academic, 156 Scientific, 93 special, total 842, an increase of 73 over last year. This increase is attributed to the football team winning the championship last year.

Syracuse University is fortunate in the establishment of a new Art Fellowship by Hiram Gee. The endowment is \$10,000. This will enable the university to send abroad some fine art graduates for special and professional work. Such benefactors are of inestimable value to our colleges and universities.