

moralizing influences which have been at work for some years, and that they have made such a splendid start in the C.I.F.U. is much to their credit. They must never forget though that the moment they sacrifice one of the highest principles now accepted, in the desire to win, they will retrograde very quickly. The descent is easy.

There was a thousand times more honor in defeat this year than in a dozen of the questionable victories of years ago. I have unbounded faith in the students, and cannot speak too highly of the spirit animating their games of to-day. There is a distinct advance too in touch line sentiment, and the University student of 1901 while loyal to his College is not such a bitter partisan as of yore. He can see virtue in something outside of his own University.

On the whole then the situation must be regarded as hopeful, and the little College leaven is no doubt destined to leaven the whole lump. After all Canadians have more than a modicum of common sense, and the process of evolution is ever a slow one.

INTER-UNIVERSITY DEBATING.

AT the City Hall on the evening of the fourteenth instant the first of the Inter-University debates took place between Messrs. Woodroffe and Younge of Toronto University and Messrs. Donnell and Calhoun of Queen's. The subject of controversy was the much vexed question whether Trusts are beneficial to Society, the apologists from Queen's claiming that they are and the visitors attacking them. The speeches were interesting and spirited from beginning to end and held the close attention of a large and thought-

ful audience. The decision in favour of the Queen's representatives was given promptly by the judges, Messrs. James Farrell, J. L. Whiting and Archdeacon Worrell. They judged that the speakers from Toronto University had the superiority in language and style, but held that the weight of arguments presented by the speakers from Queen's were materially stronger than those of their opponents.

FRESHMEN'S "AT HOME."

Looking back over the brilliant succession of year functions it becomes extremely difficult to choose any particular one surpassing the others in excellence. One, however, that in no respect fell below the standard was that held by the year of '05 on the sixth of December. Sated as it is by many subsequent "nights off," the JOURNAL cannot but feel a lingering regret as it recalls the delights of this occasion. Even the envious gentlemen who looked on from the lobby and doorway—and these were not all freshmen—are compelled to admit that the "At Home?" was unsurpassed in every respect save one. But who is to blame for the sad minority of the ladies of '05? Let us hope for better things of the '06 which is to be.

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