

WE are pleased to note that at the Medical Banquet other leading Medical Colleges in the Dominion were represented. This is as it should be and cannot but prove a beneficial influence in conducing to a more liberal and sympathetic spirit than that which has heretofore existed. We understand the initiative in this direction was taken by the Toronto Colleges and they are to be commended for their action. We would wish to see the Universities and other Colleges go and do likewise.

FOOTBALLING in the Central Association has come to a sudden halt. It is to be hoped however that the halt is only temporary inasmuch as the final ties still remain to be played. Here of course is where the hard struggle takes place and we anticipated some fine exhibitions of play in these ties. Our team has proved itself thus far to be worthy of the steel of the best clubs in the western part of the association and we are disposed to the opinion that the prospects of bringing the Championship Cup to Queen's are by no means unwarrantable. Considerable of our space in this issue is devoted to reports of last week's matches of both our Association and Rugby teams which will prove interesting at least to those of our readers who are lovers of this pastime.

THE result of the petition presented by the Football Association to the City Council, praying that the use of the Cricket Ground be granted to the Football Club when playing matches with visiting teams, though not so successful as we would have wished is still not altogether unsatisfactory.

The city council has disposed to accede to the request but it seems that the Kingston Cricket Club has control of the grounds and that the council was powerless to act in the matter.

The Cricket Club however has kindly con-

sent to allow the footballers the use of their grounds on terms quite as favorable as could be expected under the circumstances. The Park Committee also has generously granted the free use of Victoria Park to the students for their matches. Doubtless the offer of the Cricket Club as well as that of the Park Committee will be accepted.

AMONG our contributions will be found an article which deals with one aspect of "Universal Time." The *Globe* characterizes the change as "a noiseless revolution." The new method originated by Sandford Fleming will be pretty generally adopted over this continent. It has been sanctioned by the International Science Congress held lately at Rome and there is no doubt that even in conservative Europe it will soon supersede the old method. As a scientific reform, originated by our Chancellor this question has a double interest to Queen's. We are proud of the world-wide reputation achieved by Sandford Fleming because of his eminent ability.

EXCESSIVE examinations together with their necessary concomitants, cramming and superficiality, are admitted on all hands to be the greatest evils connected with the present educational system. From the time a boy enters the common school at six or seven, until he is dubbed Barrister, Doctor or Reverend, his life is embittered by a perpetual succession of examinations. Is this evil to continue growing instead of lessening? If so the result will inevitably be to destroy intellectual individuality and independence of thought. Any spark of genius that dares to manifest itself is at once crushed beneath the iron heel of the inexorable examiner. So widespread is this evil that some educationalists actually assure the public that the highest type of a University is a sort of learned inquisition, which, by the