

outside interference and a crooked umpire," and watch them gather around the devoted umpire, and accuse him of being cross-eyed mentally and physically.

The Montrealers got a good send off, and had a number of friends accompany them to Toronto. They took with them a large supply of the needful, and luckily all had return tickets which came in very handy (the ties on the G. T. R. are very far apart). One of their best men, Carlind, was unfortunately compelled to stay behind on account of sickness, and his place was filled by Drysdale, but despite this and the fact that both Hodgson and Patterson were a little the worse of wear, they were very confident that they knew exactly how to "get there."

Jas. Carruthers was agreed upon for referee, and Messrs. R. Macpherson and W. Myers for umpires. At 3.40 the men were in position. The Montrealers won the toss and played with the sun.

The following were the players:—

TORONTOS.		MONTREALERS.	
S. Martin.....	Goal	P. Gorman.....	Goal
W. C. Bonnell.....	Point	W. J. Cleghorn.....	Point
J. S. Garvin.....	Cover	R. A. Elliott.....	Cover
J. Drynan.....	Defence	E. Shephard.....	Defence
A. Sewell.....		A. Cameron.....	
R. B. Coulson.....	Field	N. J. Fraser.....	Field
F. Dixon.....	Centre	D. Paterson.....	Centre
J. A. Macdonald.....		N. Drysdale.....	
J. Irving.....	Home	A. MacNaughton.....	Home
C. A. E. McHenry.....	Field	T. L. Paton.....	Field
R. Eckhardt.....		W. Hodgson.....	
A. M. Stov.....	Home	J. Grant.....	Home
Jno. Massey.....	Captain	F. Learmonth.....	Captain

The first game was short, and opened in favor of Montrealers who passed the ball quickly on to Toronto's flags, where two shots were made, stopped respectively by Bonnell and Garvin, the latter sending it up field, where Macdonald, Dixon and Coulson together worked it to Eckhardt, who dropped high on the flags, and Irving struck it through. Time 1 minute.

The play was not good on either side in this game, both teams appearing nervous and too intent on watching each other. Paton missed one very good chance from this cause, and Irving's play in winning the game, and a little good judgment shown by Macdonald were the only cool, deliberate looking performances seen.

In the second game the Montrealers again secured the advantage after the face, but only got as far as Coulson who sent it well back. A try on the Montreal goal was the result. Cleghorn got in a tremendous throw, and Toronto defence men had to hustle. The teams now began to steady down to good work, and the evenness of the play for a while warranted the opinion that there was little choice between the players. As the game progressed however the Torontos improved and although the ball moved freely all over the field, it was clearly seen that they were outnacing and outplaying their opponents. Hodgson and Macnaughton were the only players of the visiting team who had the pace of the Torontos and they were both held so far out that their usefulness was considerably impaired. Cleghorn played a good game and stuck to his position better than usual, but Stow was a perfect thorn in his side. For Torontos, Macdonald was the surest and best. He seemed always in the right place and Coulson, Dixon, and Irving were not far behind. The Toronto defence played beautifully together and handled the Montreal home with apparent ease. Patterson centre field, despite a bandaged leg played as good a game as he ever did, but seemed to have got into one of his cranky moods and perpetrated foul after foul all through the game. When it comes to a question of systematic fouling there is no one can give Patterson any points, and it is hard to say whether it was his sore leg or his diminutive appearance that made the Referee so lenient with him. The game was won by Toronto in 16

minutes. Irving playing to Eckhardt who sent a beauty straight through the middle.

Coulson got away with the ball in the third game and McHenry took it well in, but threw to one side. Shortly after Stow also got very near, making a good try, Cleghorn, however, being an efficient obstacle. A flying visit was then paid to Toronto's end, but the flags were quickly out of danger there. Macdonald who had, as before, being playing a magnificent game, now came into prominence more than ever. He took the ball from centre field straight through the entire Montreal defence, a grand performance indeed, but when right at the flags, and game in his own hands, he got rattled and threw wild, breaking his own and numerous other hearts by the miss. A few minutes of even play now followed. Fraser doing good service for his side, but as in the second game the general balance of the play was in favor of Toronto. Bonnell, Garvin, Martin and Drynan were head and shoulders over the Montreal home, the latter deserving especial praise, playing a hard and a plucky game when it could be seen that he was overtaxed, and that the fearful heat was telling on him. Stow, McHenry and Eckhardt held the Montreal defence well, the former getting the better invariably of Gorman but striking bad snags in Cleghorn and Elliott who both played a very rough game. A piece of play was made by Irving which should have ended the match in "three straight" for Toronto. Like Macdonald he passed several defence fielders with the ball and was getting well in on the goal, which looked very open and inviting, when Patterson endeavoured to head him off. Joe slid gracefully around him and Toronto bats were almost in the air when Patterson in the most barefaced manner gave him the "crook," pulling him backwards and nearly dislocating his neck. Why he was not punished in some way is one of those things "that no fellow can understand." The ball was faced and from that to the end of the game Montreal had the advantage. The Torontos appeared either fagged or discouraged, and in a few minutes Macnaughton made the winning shot, time 20 minutes.

The Montrealers came out for fourth game looking confident and although they lost the face quickly recovered the advantage, and the game was a constant attack on Toronto's goal which succumbed to a throw from Paton in 4 minutes.

Montreal stock of course took a big jump, and her representatives were eager for the fifth and deciding game. The Torontos looked a little the worst used up of the two teams when they faced each other, but when the play started this was reversed and the game was all defence for Montreal. The Torontos, like all winning teams, seemed to outnumber their opponents and the Montreal goals were in constant danger. Once Irving struck the pole and shortly after, being just 3 1/2 minutes from the face, Eckhardt shot it through and the match was finished. The Montrealers gathered around the umpire (Myers) and endeavoured to get him to retract his decision, but that gentlemen, whom I remember as an umpire when I was a youngster, has had too much experience in that awkward position to allow himself to be "bull dozed." He stuck to his decision, which was manifestly a correct one, and the Montrealers left the field feeling that they had again got the worst of it on umpires.

The play all through was not what might be called first class. The teams were too evenly matched to allow of one showing up particularly well at the expense of the other, and if the Montrealers had had a good goalkeeper, the games would certainly have been longer, although I think the result would have been in favor of Toronto, just the same. Toronto has a well balanced team, there is not one weak spot

in it and unless numerous alterations take place, either in the other teams competing, or in the Torontos themselves, the latter are pretty sure of the pennant.

A very deplorable row, which took place between a number of hot headed representatives of both cities, just prior to the Montrealers' departure for home, and which as far as details are concerned had much better for innocent and guilty alike, been left unrecorded, has been graphically (sic) described by the sporting Editor of a Montreal paper. This young man's anxiety to gain for his paper and himself certain local popularity has subjected his imaginative faculties to a severe strain. He was present when the unpleasantness took place, and was I believe preparing to dispense a few of the souvenirs which he unctuously alleges were left behind by the Montreal contingent, but a prominent home man of the Toronto club quietly placed the head of the would be slugger in a position commonly known as "chancery" and when I saw him viewing the proceedings from this point of vantage, the bulging of his optics was a sure indication that his vision was distorted, and he has evidently committed to paper, what he thought he saw.

A team from the Shamrocks went up to Ottawa on Dominion Day, met with a cordial reception from the citizens, and were treated to an unexpected, but never-the-less complete, licking by the Capitals.

The contest was for 13 gold medals and the Capitals earned them well by a score of 3 to 1. Murphy scored for Shamrocks, and Ditchburn secured one, and Daly two of the games awarded to the Capitals. The play was close and exciting, lasted a little over an hour, and both sides played for all that they were worth. The now fashionable practice of "umpire baiting" was carried to an extent that completely puts into the shade the humbler efforts in that direction made in Montreal and Toronto. In these cities they torture them pretty thoroughly, but they allow them to stay on the field and see the match through, but in Ottawa both of the umpires were "fired" off the field after the first game and a new set brought out. The larger cities will have to practice this, and not allow themselves to the "done up" by these evil disposed umpires.

Aylward, S. McKay, Burns, Devine, Myles, Kemp, Ditchburn, O'Brien, Burke, Greene, Daly and Kent represented the Capitals, and Prior, Cregan, Morton, Hart, Maguire, Canadian, Devine, Ahearn, Hamilton, Murphy, O' Riely and Bary represented Shamrocks. The Capitals will now proceed to win the Earth.

GREEK meets Greek next Saturday. Greek stands for Cornwall and Greek for Ontario. Unfortunately for Ontario the tug of war will come off at Cornwall. Both teams are practising hard, and the match will probably be like the ground-rough.

That "union is strength" was proven by the Torontos last week. On Dominion Day the team divided itself into two portions, one going to St. Catharines and the other to Richmond Hill. Both portions were badly beaten, united they apparently, so far, can beat anything but Ontarios. The contingent that visited St. Catharines speak very highly of the Athletics' play, saying that they are good enough to win a place in the series.

The New York Lacrosse team are on their way east flushed with victory. They secured the U. S. championship from the St. Paul Club last Monday with a score of 3 to 1, and they play Toronto on Thursday, and the Montrealers Saturday. Their team is a strong one, embracing a number of well-known Canadians.